Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We want to welcome you to this gathering in the spirit of synodality that our meeting embodies. We look forward to walking together for these two days, faithful Catholics and friends from various parts of the Church, all of us working and praying together to carry forward the vision of the Second Vatican Council in the pontificate of Pope Francis, and beyond.

It has been a privilege to organize this meeting, with the strong support of our respective Jesuit institutions. We are grateful for our time and conversations together, and we will be sure that you have everything you need to make this both a pleasant and productive encounter.

Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam,

Michael P. Murphy  
*Director*  
The Hank Center for the  
Catholic Intellectual Heritage

Mark Massa, S.J.  
*Director*  
The Boisi Center for Religion  
and American Public Life

David Gibson  
*Director*  
The Center on  
Religion and Culture
Conference Schedule

Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held in
Loyola University Chicago's Schreiber Center, Wintrust Hall, 9th Floor, 16 East Pearson Street

Friday, March 25th, 2021

8:00 AM | Welcome and Logistics

A note on Chatham House Rule

Directors Michael Murphy, Mark Massa, S.J., and David Gibson
Fr. Richard Salmi, S.J. Rector, Jesuit Community at Loyola University Chicago

8:10 - 8:55 AM | Keynote with Massimo Faggioli Villanova University
"Opposition to Francis Rooted in Abandonment of Vatican II as Source of Renewal"

8:55 - 9:10 AM | Coffee Break

9:10 - 10:10 AM | Panel 1 "Distorted Receptions of Vatican II"

Moderator: Melinda J. Henneberger Kansas City Star
Panelists:
  Meghan Clark St. John’s University
  Mark Massa, S.J. Boston College
  Michael Murphy Loyola University Chicago

10:10 - 10:25 AM | Coffee Break

10:25 AM - 11:25 AM | Panel 2

"The Money, Media, and Networks that Oppose Pope Francis"

Moderator: Michael O’Loughlin America Magazine
Panelists:
  Kim Daniels Georgetown University
  David Gibson Fordham University
  Heidi Schlumpf National Catholic Reporter

12:00 PM | Mass

Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street
Cardinal Blase Cupich Principal Celebrant

12:50 PM | Angelus and Lunch
1:50 - 3:30 PM | Break

3:30 - 4:10 PM | Keynote with M. Therese Lysaught Loyola University Chicago
"War or Peace? Toward a Better Kind of (Bio)Politics"

4:10 - 4:30 PM | Break

4:30 - 5:40 PM | Panel 3
"How Opposition to Francis Connects with Other Socio-Political Currents in American Life"
Moderator: Matthew Sitman Commonweal
Panelists:
  • Bishop Daniel E. Flores* Diocese of Brownsville
  • Christine Firer Hinze Fordham University
  • Damon Silvers AFL-CIO

5:40 - 5:55 PM | Reflections by Cardinal Joseph Tobin, C.Ss.R.

6:00 PM | Cocktails and Dinner
Beane Hall, Lewis Towers, 13th Floor, 111 East Pearson Street

9:00 PM | Hosted Social Hour
Club International at the Drake Hotel

* – Presentation will be made in absentia
Saturday, March 26th, 2021

8:00 AM | Mass
St. James Chapel, Archbishop Quigley Center, 835 North Rush Street
Cardinal Seán O’Malley, O.F.M. Cap. Principal Celebrant

9:00 - 9:45 AM | Keynote with Archbishop Miguel Cabrejos, O.F.M.* CELAM
"The Latino Experience of Synodality"

9:45 - 10:05 AM | Coffee Break

10:05 - 11:30 AM | Panel 4
"Pastoral-Theological Ideas for Affective Collegiality with Pope Francis and Receiving Vatican II"
Moderator: Kathleen Sprows Cummings University of Notre Dame
Panelists:
   Reverend Louis J. Cameli Archdiocese of Chicago
   Hosffman Ospino Boston College
   Vincent Rougeau College of the Holy Cross

11:30 - 11:45 AM | Concluding Remarks

11:45 AM - 12:00 PM | Conference Evaluations

12:00 PM | Angelus and Lunch

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Founded in 2006, the Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage (CCIH) serves as venue for LUC faculty, students, and staff to learn about and investigate Roman Catholic thought and its links to all academic disciplines. With its strong emphasis on scholarly research and discussion, CCIH is a productive space where the fruits of that research can be engaged, debated, and shared. CCIH also has a larger footprint—locally, nationally, and internationally—and conducts numerous programs, conferences, and symposia that cultivate reflective experiences of:

- Connecting to Catholic Thought
- Researching Catholic Thought
- Communicating Catholic Thought

On April 24, 2007, Loyola University Chicago renamed this Center of Excellence in honor of two generous friends and benefactors—Joan Los (BS’54) and Bill Hank.

The Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage stewards the Jesuit principle of finding God in all things, which is at the core of the mission of Loyola University Chicago. At the Center, the rich and variant lines of the Catholic intellectual tradition are explored, communicated, and renewed.

Our Staff:
Dr. Michael P. Murphy – Director
Paty Delgado – Office Manager
Adam Hii – Graduate Research Assistant
Grace Beene - Undergraduate Student Assistant
Connor Quaglino - Undergraduate Student Assistant
The Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life was created at Boston College in 1999 with an endowment from Geoffrey T. Boisi ’69 and his wife Rene (Isacco) Boisi ’69. From the outset its mission has been to create opportunities where a community of scholars, policymakers, media, and religious leaders can connect in conversation and scholarly reflection around issues at the intersection of religion and American public life. Our hope is that such conversations can clarify the moral consequences of public policies in ways that help to maintain the common good while respecting America’s increasing religious diversity.

The mission of the Boisi Center commits it to fostering rigorous, civil, and constructive conversations about religion in American public life, in pursuit of the common good of a religiously diverse society. We bring exceptional scholarship into dialogue with engaged citizenship and the creative arts, in order to produce meaningful exchanges that inform, challenge, and inspire. In doing this we support Boston College’s Jesuit and Catholic commitment to education that shapes minds and souls alike for service to others.

We feel that in the current social and political climate this work is more important than ever, and we invite you to join us.

Our Staff:
Mark Massa, S.J. – Director
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Emily O’Neil – 2021-22 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Karina Kavanagh – 2021-22 Undergraduate Research Assistant
Ann McClenahan – Special Volunteer Assistant to the Director
At a time when religion’s role in American life is both praised and contested, Fordham’s Center on Religion and Culture (CRC) explores the complex relationship between faith and contemporary life.

Through public events and conversations with experts and artists, scholars and faith leaders, the CRC seeks to engage and elevate the public dialogue about religion and culture, the mind and the soul, inclusion and identity, politics, and the arts.

The Fordham Center on Religion and Culture was founded in 2004 by journalists Peter Steinfels and Margaret O’Brien Steinfels. James P. McCarkin, a historian of American Catholicism at Fordham, succeeded them as director in 2011. The current director is David Gibson, a veteran journalist and author, who joined the CRC in 2017.

Our Staff:
David Gibson – Director
David Goodwin – Assistant Director
Presenters

Reverend Louis John Cameli, Ph.D.
Fr. Louis John Cameli is a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Fr. Cameli is the author of more than a dozen books, including *The Devil You Don’t Know: Recognizing and Resisting Evil in Everyday Life* and *Catholic Teaching on Homosexuality: New Paths to Understanding*. Fr. Cameli has been active in the formation of priests, including as professor and dean at Mundelein Seminary, and has served in parishes and as a retreat leader. Since 2009, Fr. Cameli has served as a delegate for Christian Formation and Mission with residence at Holy Name Cathedral.

Meghan Clark, Ph.D.
Meghan J. Clark, Ph.D., is an associate professor of moral theology at St. John’s University (NY). She is author of *The Vision of Catholic Social Thought: The Virtue of Solidarity and the Praxis of Human Rights* (Fortress Press, 2014), co-editor of *Public Theology and the Global Common Good: The Contribution of David Hollenbach* (Orbis, 2016), has published in *Theological Studies*, the *Journal of Moral Theology*, among others, and is a columnist for *U.S. Catholic* magazine. She is a senior fellow of the Vincentian Center for Church and Society and a faculty expert for the Holy See’s Mission to the United Nations. From 2010-2013, she served as a Consultant to the USCCB’s Committee on Domestic Justice.

Kathleen Sprows Cummings, Ph.D.
Kathleen Sprows Cummings is professor of American studies and history at the University of Notre Dame and the director of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism. She holds a concurrent appointment in the department of theology. Cummings’ publications include, *A Saint of Our Own: How the Quest for a Holy Hero Helped Catholics Become American* (University of North Carolina Press, 2019), *New Women of the Old Faith: Gender and American Catholicism in the Progressive Era* (North Carolina, 2009) as well as numerous scholarly articles and book chapters. Cummings is presently co-directing (with Robert Orsi) “Gender, Sex, and Power: Toward a History of Clergy Sexual Abuse in the Catholic Church.” She also oversees the Conference on the History of Women Religious and frequently serves as a media commentator on contemporary events in the Church.

Kim Daniels, J.D.
Kim Daniels is the co-director of Georgetown University’s Initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life. She was appointed by Pope Francis as a member of the Vatican Dicastery for Communication in 2016, and has advised the U.S. bishops and major Catholic institutions on issues where Church teachings intersect with public life, including immigration, human life and dignity, religious liberty, and care for creation.

Massimo Faggioli, Ph.D.
Dr. Massimo Faggioli, a married lay Roman Catholic, is full professor in the department of theology and religious studies at Villanova University. He worked in the “John XXIII Foundation for Religious Studies” in Bologna between 1996 and 2008. He has a column in *La Croix International*, and is contributing writer for *Commonweal* magazine and for the Italian magazine *Il Regno*. His books and articles have been published in more than ten languages. Among his latest books is *The Liminal Papacy of Pope Francis: Moving Toward Global Catholicity* (Orbis Books, 2020). He is co-editing with Catherine Clifford *The Oxford Handbook of Vatican II* (Oxford University Press, 2022) and he is under contract with Oxford University Press for a book on the history of the Roman Curia.
Bishop Daniel Flores, S.T.D.
Bishop Daniel Flores has served as the Bishop of the Diocese of Brownsville since 2009. He studied at the University of Dallas, and Holy Trinity Seminary, completing a BA in Philosophy and a Masters of Divinity. In 1988 he was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Corpus Christi. He completed work on doctoral dissertation in Sacred Theology at the Angelicum in 2000. In 2006, he was appointed and ordained as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit. Presently, Bishop Flores serves as committee member on several USCCB Committees as well as chair of the Doctrine Committee.

David Gibson
David Gibson, director of the Center on Religion and Culture, arrived at Fordham University in 2017 after a long career as a religion reporter, author, and filmmaker. He began his journalism career at Vatican Radio in 1986 and after returning to the New York area in 1990 wrote for a variety of newspapers and magazines. He is the author of two books on Catholicism: The Coming Catholic Church: How the Faithful are Shaping a New American Catholicism and The Rule of Benedict: Pope Benedict XVI and His Battle with the Modern World. He has written and produced several documentaries and co-authored a book on biblical archeology, Finding Jesus: Faith. Fact. Forgery, the basis of a popular CNN series.

Melinda Henneberger
Melinda Henneberger is vice president and editorial page editor for The Kansas City Star, and a three-time Pulitzer finalist, for commentary in 2021 and 2019 and for editorial writing in 2020. She has covered crime, Congress, the Vatican, prisons, hospitals, and politics.

Christine Firer Hinze, Ph.D.

M. Therese Lysaught, Ph.D.
M. Therese Lysaught, PhD, is professor of moral theology and healthcare at the Neiswanger Institute for Bioethics and Health Care Leadership at the Stritch School of Medicine, Loyola University Chicago. Her books include Biopolitics after Neuroscience: Morality and the Economy of Virtue (Bloomsbury Academic, 2022, co-authored with Jeffrey P. Bishop and Andrew Michel) and Catholic Bioethics and Social Justice: The Praxis of US Healthcare in a Globalized World (Liturgical Press, 2019, co-edited with Michael McCarthy). She has served as a visiting scholar with the Catholic Health Association; on the Board of Directors of the Society of Christian Ethics; on the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee (RAC) at the U.S. National Institutes of Health; and as a member of the U.S. Catholic-Episcopal Theological Consultation under the aegis of the USCCB. She is a founding member and editor of the Journal of Moral Theology and a corresponding member of the Pontifical Academy for Life.
Presenters

Mark Massa, S.J., Th.D.
Mark Massa, S.J. is director of the Boisi Center for Religion and American Public Life. He is a church historian who studies Catholicism in the U.S. in the twentieth century. He is the author of seven books, the most recent of which is *The Structure of Theological Revolutions: How Humanae Vitae Shaped Debates About Natural Law* (Oxford, 2018).

Michael P. Murphy, Ph.D.
Michael P. Murphy is director of Loyola’s Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage. His research interests are in theology and literature, sacramental theology, and Catholic educational leadership—but he also thinks, writes, and engages public media about issues in eco-theology, social ethics, and the literary/political cultures of Catholicism. Murphy is a National Endowment for the Humanities fellow and was also the second director of Loyola University Chicago’s Catholic Studies Interdisciplinary Minor Program (2012-2021). His first book, *A Theology of Criticism: Balthasar, Postmodernism, and the Catholic Imagination* (Oxford), was named a “Distinguished Publication” in 2008 by the American Academy of Religion. His most recent scholarly work is an edited volume, *this need to dance/this need to kneel: Denise Levertov and the Poetics of Faith* (Wipf and Stock, 2019).

Michael J. O'Loughlin
Michael J. O'Loughlin is the author of *Hidden Mercy: Catholics, AIDS, and Untold Stories of Compassion in the Face of Fear*, based on the America podcast series, “Plague: Untold Stories of AIDS and the Catholic Church.” Mike is also the national correspondent and an associate editor at *America*. O'Loughlin writes and speaks regularly about religion and politics, Catholic young adults, and the role of religion in the public square. He is also the author of *The Tweetable Pope: A Spiritual Revolution in 140 Characters*. A former staff writer for *The Boston Globe* and its Catholic site *Crux*, his work has also appeared in *The New York Times, The Atlantic, The Washington Post, Foreign Policy* and the *Advocate*. He has been interviewed by a number of media outlets, including NPR, The BBC, ABC, CBS, Fox News, and MSNBC.

Hosffman Ospino, Ph.D.
Hosffman Ospino, Ph.D. is an associate professor of theology and religious education at Boston College School of Theology and Ministry where he is also chair of the department of religious education and pastoral ministry. He is director of the university’s Graduate Programs in Hispanic Ministry. Ospino is the principal investigator for several national studies on Hispanic Catholics. He has authored/edited 15 books and more than 150 essays, academic and general. Ospino serves on the boards of several national organizations, including the Nationa Catholic Educational Association (NCEA). He is president of the Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS) and an officer of the Catholic Theological Society of America (CTSA).

Vincent D. Rougeau, J.D.
Vincent D. Rougeau, a nationally respected expert in legal education and Catholic social thought, became the 33rd president of the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts in July 2021. He is the College’s first lay and first Black president. Rougeau previously served as dean of the Boston College Law School and the inaugural director of the Forum on Racial Justice in America. He has written extensively on law and religions, and is the author of *Christians in the American Empire: Faith and Citizenship in the New World Order* (2008).
Presenters

Heidi Schlumpf
Heidi Schlumpf is the executive editor and vice president of the *National Catholic Reporter*, where she previously served as its national correspondent. She has three decades of experience covering religion, spirituality, social justice and women’s issues, and is the author/editor of three books, including a biography of feminist theologian Elizabeth Johnson. She is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and has a master's degree in theological studies from Garrett Evangelical Theological Seminary at Northwestern University.

Damon Silvers, J.D.
Damon A. Silvers is the director of policy and special counsel for the AFL-CIO. He joined the AFL-CIO as associate general counsel in 1997. Silvers is a senior fellow at the Roosevelt Institute and a visiting professor at the Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose at University College, London. Silvers is also a member of The Century Foundation’s Board of Trustees and is a member of the Board of Directors of Americans for Financial Reform. From 2008 to 2011, Silvers served as the deputy chair of the Congressional Oversight Panel for TARP, the U.S. government program for stabilizing the U.S. banking system. Silvers has also served in various capacities with the S.E.C., the Treasury Department, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, and as a member of the United States Treasury Department Investor’s Practice Committee of the President’s Working Group on Financial Markets.

Matthew Sitman
Matthew Sitman is the associate editor of *Commonweal*. Before joining the magazine, he taught in the Politics Department at the University of Virginia and, more recently, was the literary editor of the news and culture website, the Dish. He writes regularly for *Dissent*, where he also serves on the editorial board, and his work has been published at the *New Republic* and *The Bias*, among other publications. He also is the co-host of the podcast "Know Your Enemy."

Archbishop Héctor Miguel Cabrejos Vidarte, O.F.M.
Héctor Miguel Cabrejos Vidarte, O.F.M. is a Peruvian prelate of the Catholic Church who has been the Archbishop of Trujillo since 1999. He has been a bishop since 1988 and currently heads the Latin American Bishops Council (CELAM).
Thank you!

Cardinal Blase J. Cupich

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