From the Desk of Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J.

Cara Amici,

I greet you in Italian, for we find the "Roman" part of Catholicism on everyone's mind these last few weeks. We have the first "Pope Emeritus," and now a conclave in process. The global community eagerly awaits the white smoke from the Sistine Chapel. The Hank Center did its part to engage the world on this momentous event, giving interviews to many local and national media outlets. More importantly, however, and at the request of Loyola's student body, CCIH organized a very fine panel discussion of faculty and students on the significance of Benedict's resignation and the qualities hoped for in the next pope. You can read more about the panel below.

Now back from Spring Break and deep into March, we welcome the opera diva, Ms. Delia Surratt, who will give both a lecture and concert March 13 and 14, respectively, here on campus. She will be the first in a new series that looks at the artistic heritage of Roman Catholic culture. If you are in the area, you don't want to miss these two events.

Finally, it is our honor to host, once again, Loyola's annual Living Tradition Award. This year, the award is being given to Dr. Nicholas Patricca, one of the great emeritus faculty of Loyola whose art and teaching have been inspired by the Catholic intellectual life and its culture.

As we move closer to Holy Week, may you have a blessed Easter.

All good things
UPCOMING EVENTS

PANEL DISCUSSION

Pacem in terris
and the Professional Life

Wednesday, April 3
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
This panel discussion will focus on the papal encyclical Pacem in terris, issued by Pope John XXIII in 1963.

Ms. Delia Surratt
Internationally Acclaimed Soprano Comes to Loyola University Chicago

Wednesday, March 13
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
Lecture: Unleashed Emotion: Opera's Transformation of Sacred Music

Thursday, March 14
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Free Concert

Mundelein Center, Music Hall 210
Loyola University Chicago
1032 W. Sheridan Rd.
Chicago, IL 60660

Catholicism and the Arts Series
with Ms. Delia Surratt

The Hank Center, in association with Loyola's Department of Fine and Performing Arts, is pleased to bring the renowned soprano Delia Surratt to Loyola University Chicago.

Ms. Surratt has performed in opera houses and music halls around the world. Based in Rome, she not only performs regularly but also continues to teach and give master classes for students, including students at the John Felice Rome Center, Loyola's study abroad campus in Rome.

She is the first guest of a new CCIH's program Catholicism and the Art Series, which is designed to promote cultural productions that illuminate the rich heritage of art in the Catholic tradition. Ms. Surratt will offer an exciting lecture entitled "Unleashed Emotion: Opera's Transformation of Sacred Music" on Wednesday March 13.

The following evening, March 14, Ms. Surratt will offer a free concert. The program contains musical works that date from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries: Giulio Caccini (1550-1610), Giuseppe Domenico Scarlatti (1660-1725), Giuseppe Verdi (1813-1901), Giacomo Puccini (1858 - 1924) and many others.

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Beane Hall, Lewis Tower
Water Tower Campus Loyola University Chicago
820 N. Michigan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60660

Wednesday, April 10

Presentations and Panel Discussion
10:00 am - 3:00pm
Information Commons, 4th Floor

Both events are free and open to faculty, students, staff, and general public.
The Living Tradition Award

Every year the Hank Center presents the Living Tradition Award to Loyola University Chicago emeritus faculty member who exemplified the integration of Catholic thought in their work, research, and teaching.

2013 award was honored to
Dr. Nicholas A. Patricca

It is a great honor for me to receive the 'Living Tradition' award from the Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage for many reasons. Let me cite a few. The award recognizes -- while I am still alive -- a lifetime of effort integrating Catholic thinking and culture with my work in the arts, in education, in community-based health care, and in justice and peace.

The award gives me a wonderful opportunity to thank the people and communities who have enabled me to pursue my work. And, at a time when the Catholic Church is not enjoying good press, it affords me an appropriate occasion for celebrating the profound benefits of Catholic education to our civil society and to the pursuit of the common good in cultures throughout the world.

It is important to remind ourselves that our Catholic faith, lived in community and articulated in the freedom of its rich intellectual traditions, has the same power today as it has had from the beginning: to inspire and to transform, to educate and to serve people wherever they are, whatever their needs, regardless of class, caste, color, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, politics or religion. This power does not spring from worldly power but from the compassionate Spirit of Jesus the Christ.

Thank you.
Dr. Nicholas A. Patricca

CCIH in the News

The Hank Center's members have been interviewed numerous times by local and national news media on Pope Benedict's historic departure. Follow the links to learn more.

Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J. interview
HLN national television network
Theologian: Pope exit 'a radical thing to do'

Dr. Michael P. Murphy interview
Chicago Tonight, WTTW, aired on Feb. 11.
Pope Benedict XVI Resigns

Dr. Michael P. Murphy interview
Relevant Radio, aired on Feb. 28
Relevant Radio

Habemus Papam:
Abdication, Conclave, and the Chair of St. Peter
Panel Discussion
Event was held on Tuesday, February 26
The Hank Center, in association with the Department of Theology and The John Cardinal Cody Chair of Theology, sponsored the timely panel presentation and public forum, Habemus Papam: Abdication, Conclave, and the Chair of St. Peter.

A large, engaged audience navigated the heavy snowfall and transformed McCormick Lounge into a site for serious communal discussion about Pope Benedict's abdication of the Papal Chair. Faculty panelists Dr. Mark Bosco, S.J., Director of the Hank Center, Dr. Sandra Sullivan Dunbar, Associate Professor of Christian Ethics, and Dr. Michael Murphy, Director of Catholic Studies, offered substantive talking points that provided historical context, theological scope, and constructive analysis of this unique moment in Church history.

Not to be outdone, a crackerjack trio of Loyola undergraduates rounded-out the panel by supplying their own astute reflections. Kelly Bartusiak (Senior, Theology), Zac Davis (Sophomore, Theology and Philosophy, Catholic Studies minor), and Martha Ligas (Senior, Psychology and Sociology, Catholic Studies minor) delivered papers that not only encapsulated the complex array of joys, hopes, and frustrations that attend the experience of being a committed Catholic today, but also articulated the hopes and dreams that the Millennial generation have for the new Pope and the Catholic Church in the 21st century.

The six panelists went on to engage the energetic and ecclesially literate audience in a robust Q&A session where all manner of ideas—from sanctity to sexuality, from priesthood to policies—were exchanged in the finest tradition of Jesuit/Catholic higher education. The Forum was moderated under the expert hand of Dr. Andrew Radde-Gallwitz, Assistant Professor of Theology.

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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.