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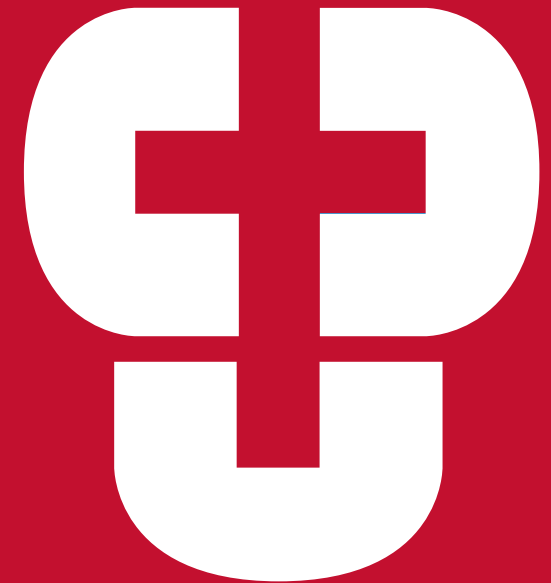
Sacred Heart University's Office of Mission and Catholic Identity will host the inaugural annual series "Contemporary Catholic Conversations" during the 2017-18 academic year. The Sacred Heart community is committed to opening up campus as a forum for questions and concerns that face the Church in today's world. All are welcome for this intellectually stimulating series. All questions and opinions will be honored and respected.

The talks in this series are free and open to the public. All events will be live streamed. Visit www.sacredheart.edu on the day of each event for the URL. Sponsored by Sacred Heart University's Office of Mission and Catholic Identity, the Curtis Center and the Human Journey Colloquia Series.



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2017

October 4

“Night Call: Embracing Compassion and Hope in a Troubled World” with Robert J. Wicks, Psychologist, Author, Spiritual Mentor and Professor, Emeritus, of Pastoral Counseling at Loyola University in Maryland

Share in the “quiet lessons” that helping and healing professionals are taught on discovering new strength within life’s whirlwinds.

**7 p.m. | S116, Center for Healthcare Education
4000 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT**

October 18

“Remembering Henri Nouwen: Reclaiming Hospitality in Health Care” with Chris E. DeBono, Vice President of Mission, Ethics & Spirituality at Providence Health Care in British Columbia

Get to know the early Henri Nouwen’s interests, passions, methods and searching concerns about alienation and woundedness. This period helps us understand Nouwen’s contribution to healthcare as hospitality.

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November 8

“From Munkatch to Manchester through the Gates of Auschwitz” with Anthony Davidson, Dean of the School of Professional and Continuing Studies at Fordham University in New York

Join us for the annual Kristallnacht Commemoration, remembering the “Night of Broken Glass” that took place in Germany in 1938. This violent event, during which Nazis broke the windows of Jewish businesses, schools and synagogues, resulted in death, arrests and the beginning stages of the Holocaust. A son recounts his mother’s personal story of courage, heroism and survival during the Holocaust.

**2 p.m. | Chapel of the Holy Spirit
5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, CT**

2018

January 31

“Evolution and Creation Theology” with Roger Haight, S.J., American Jesuit Theologian and Scholar in Resident at the Union Theological Seminary in New York

What does it mean to say that God created the world in the context of a dialogue with science and, particularly, evolution? This discussion includes addressing what is being said by the phrase “creation out of nothing” and what the implications of God creating are, showing how congruent creation is with evolution.

**7 p.m. | University Commons
5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, CT**

February 7

“Pope Francis and the USA: Theology, Politics and Diplomacy” with Massimo Faggioli, Church Historian and Professor of Theology and Religious Studies at Villanova University in Philadelphia

The relationship between Pope Francis and the United States since the election in the conclave of 2013 has been a crucial point of passage for all those who want to understand this pontificate in the context of the world of today. The lecture will explore the key aspects – theological, political and diplomatic – of a relationship that is one of the signs of our times.

**7 p.m. | University Commons
5151 Park Avenue, Fairfield, CT**

There will be a special Academic Convocation in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit at 2 p.m.

February 28

“The Liberation Spirituality of Oscar Romero” with Michael Lee, Associate Professor of Theology with Affiliation in Fordham’s Latin America and Latino Studies Institute

The lecture will explore the life, writing and preaching of the slain Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Romero. In a context of violence, inequality and social upheaval, his legacy challenges us to rethink conversion, faith, politics and martyrdom today.

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