Conference Schedule Overview

**Thursday, March 28, 2019**
DeSales University Center (DUC)
3:30-5:30 PM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS I
5:45 PM: OPENING MASS
6:15 PM: Buffet Dinner provided by DeSales University.
7:00 PM: PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME
7:30-9:30 PM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS II

**Friday, March 29, 2019**
DeSales University Center
8:15 AM: MASS
9:00-11:00 AM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS III
**11:15-1:15: PLENARY I**
1:15-2:15: LUNCH: Buffet provided by DeSales University.
2:15-4:15 CONCURRENT SESSIONS IV
**4:30-6:30 PM: PLENARY II**
DINNER: Please see Hotel list for dining recommendations

**Saturday, March 30, 2019**
DeSales University Center
8:00 AM: MASS
9:30-11:30 AM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS V
11:30 AM-1:00 PM: LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING
1:00-3:00 PM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS VI
**3:15-5:15 PM: PLENARY SESSION III**
5:45 PM: CLOSING MASS
6:45 PM: Reception
7:15 PM: AMA ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET
Thursday Afternoon, March 28, 2019
DeSales University Center (DUC)

3-7:30 PM: REGISTRATION AND BOOK EXHIBIT
   DUC Reception Gallery

3:30-5:30 PM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS I

1.1 Metaethics
   Location: Hurd Room
   Chairperson: James Jacobs, Notre Dame Seminary
   • Augusto Trujillo Werner, University of Malaga: “Possible Thomistic Response to
     Hume’s Law and Moore’s Open-Question Argument”
   • Sister Maria Gemma Salyer, O.S.F., Franciscan University of Steubenville: “The
     Identification of Virtue with Knowledge: Reconciling the Socratic Thesis with Thomism”
   • Kevin M. Scott, University of Notre Dame: “Moral Law as Personal Law: A Newmanian
     Articulation of an Anscombean Problem”

1.2 Religion and the Political Order
   Location: Trexler Room
   Chairperson: Dominic Verner, O.P., University of Notre Dame
   • Thomas Mammoser, Independent Scholar: “Grace Perfecting Nature: Reflections on the
     Christian Humanism of Jacques Maritain”
   • Giancarlo Marcocci, Centro Studi e Ricerca J. e R. Maritain: “Between phronesis and
     episteme: Jacques Maritain’s Proposal on Secularism and Updating it for Contemporary
     Public Debate”
   • Benjamin L. Smith, Belmont University: “The Common Good at the Intersection of
     Religion and Politics”

1.3 Ways of Knowing
   Location: Heritage Room
   Chairperson: Joe Butera, Providence College
   • Mark Spinnenweber, Franciscan University of Steubenville: “Is Bonaventure An
     Avicennian? A Reply to Lydia Schumacher”
   • Thomas Wheeler, Franciscan University of Steubenville: “On Indirect Realism and
     Direct Realism”
   • Stephanie Havens, Christians in Need Foundation: “De Veritate Question 14 and Today”

Thursday Evening, March 28, 2019
5:45 PM: OPENING MASS
   Location: Wills Hall Chapel
Celebrant: Rev. Christopher Cullen, S.J.

6:15 PM: Buffet Dinner provided by DeSales University  
Location: Reception Gallery and Commonwealth Room, DUC

7:00 PM: PRESIDENTIAL WELCOME  
Location: Commonwealth Room  
James Hanink, Independent Scholar  
Joshua Schulz, DeSales University  
Rev. James Greenfield, President, DeSales University

7:30-9:30 PM: CONCURRENT SESSION II

2.1 The Metaphysics of Esse  
Location: Hurd Room  
Chairperson: Thao Nguyen. University of St. Thomas (Houston)  
- Fernando Alfredo Riofrío Zúñiga, Universidad de Piura: “Is Aquinas’ Ipsum Esse the Hypostatized Univocal Being of Platonism?”  
- Daniel A. Drain, Pontifical John Paul II Institute: “‘Our Inheritance and the Christian Task’: von Balthasar’s Metaphysical Debt to St. Thomas Aquinas”  
- Chris Albrecht, Providence College: “Esse Essentiae: A Useful and Authentically Thomist Concept?”

2.2 Practical Ethics  
Location: Trexler Room  
Chairperson: Dominic Verner, O.P., University of Notre Dame  
- J. Spencer Atkins, University of Tennessee: “Classical Theism and the Problem of Intergenerational Ethics”  
- Heidi Giebel, University of St. Thomas: “Revering Your Roots: Confucius, Aquinas, and the Virtue of Filial Piety”  

2.3 The Human Person  
Location: Heritage Room  
Chairperson: Maria Gemma Salyer, O.S.F., Franciscan University of Steubenville  
- Trinity O'Neill, Franciscan University of Steubenville: “Transformative Experience: First-Personal Problems, Second-Personal Solutions”  
- Joshua Schulz, DeSales University: “The Sacrality Objection to the Personhood Debate”

Friday Morning, March 29, 2019
All Day: PM: REGISTRATION AND BOOK EXHIBIT
DUC Reception Gallery

8:15 AM: MASS
Location: Wills Hall Chapel
Celebrant: Rev. Dominic Legge, OP

9:00-11:00 AM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS III

3.1 Christianity in a Pluralistic Society
Location: Hurd Room
Chairperson: Dawn Eschenauer Chow, University of Notre Dame
• Joel Johnson, Borromeo Seminary Institute at John Carroll University: “Civility’s Decline: Aquinas and Maritain on the Significance of the Social Virtues”
• Michael Humpherys, Independent Scholar: “Lend Hoping Nothing In Return: Usury in Modern Economies.”

3.2 Religion and Popular Participation
Location: Trexler Room
Chairperson: Thomas Wheeler, Franciscan University of Steubenville
• Luca Di Donato, Catholic University of Milan: “Jacques and Raïssa Maritain and Surroundings: The Role of Lay People in the Work of Jacques and Raïssa Maritain, Berdiaev and Evdokimov”
• Robert Delaney, University of Holy Cross: “Maritain and Salvation for Non-Christians”
• Joseph Antoniello, Franciscan University of Steubenville: “Liturgy and Society: Two Views of the Person in Maritain and Von Hildebrand”

3.3 The Question of a Christian Philosophy
Location: Heritage Room
Chairperson: Phillip Berns, University of St. Thomas (Houston)
• Sara Hulse, DeSales University: “Reason as Gift: Henri de Lubac on the Question of Christian Philosophy”
• Anne Frances Ai Le, OP, University of St. Thomas (Houston): “Jacques Maritain, The Reluctant Thomist Theologian?”

3.4 Christology
Location: Wood Room
Chairperson: Daniel A. Drain, Pontifical John Paul II Institute
- Joshua H. Lim, University of Notre Dame: “Revisiting Jacques Maritain’s On the Grace and Humanity of Jesus”
- David Liberto, Notre Dame Seminary: “Thomistic Metaphysics and Christology: The Esse of Christ.”

11:15-1:15: PLENARY I
Location: Commonwealth Room
Chairperson: James Hanink, Independent Scholar
- Dominic Legge, OP, Dominican House of Studies: "The Mind of Christ: Christ's Human Knowledge and Our Salvation"

1:15-2:15: LUNCH: Buffet provided by DeSales University.
Location: Reception Gallery and Commonwealth Room

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2:15-4:15 CONCURRENT SESSIONS IV

4.1 AMA Presidents’ Panel: Maritainian Themes in Veritatis Splendor and Fides et Ratio
Location: Hurd Room
Chairperson: Siobhan Nash-Marshall, Manhattanville College
- John Trapani, Walsh University, Emeritus: "'Woe to Me ...:' Maritainian Perennial Themes"
- Alice Ramos, St. John’s University: “Martyrdom, Truth, and the Paradoxical Nature of the Christian Life”
- Michael Torre, University of San Francisco: “The Doctrine of John Paul II and the Life Work of Jacques Maritain"
- James Hanink, Independent Scholar: "Wisdom, Metaphysics, and Conscience”

4.2 Philosophy of Religion
Location: Trexler Room
Chairperson: Heidi Giebel, University of St. Thomas
- Justin Matchulat, Mount St. Mary’s University: “The Death of God as Manifest in Practical Cognition: The Silencing of Higher Reason”
- Mark Moes, Grand Valley State: “Gilson’s Unity of Philosophical Experience and David Hume’s Philosophy of Religion”
- Dawn Eschenauer Chow, University of Notre Dame: “Analogical Language and God”
4.3 International Natural Law Society: Natural Law in the American Enlightenment and Romantic Thought
Location: Heritage Room
Chairperson: Christopher Cullen, S.J., Fordham University
- Thao Nguyen, University of St. Thomas (Houston): “Friendship in the Modern Democratic State”
- Walter Raubicheck, Pace University: “Emerson and the Natural Law”

4.4 Subjectivity and Semiotics
Location: Wood Room
Chairperson: Travis Dumsday, Concordia University of Edmonton
- Joshua Schulz, DeSales University: “HER: Augustine and Maritain on Care for Pretend Persons (including AI)”
- Donna E. West, State University of New York at Cortland: “Eidetic Images as Instruments of Suprasubjectivity: Insights from Maritain and Deely”
- Vanessa Sun, Peking University “Being and Truth: A Phenomenal Interpretation Applied to Duns Scotus’s Individuation Theory”

4:30-6:30 PM: PLENARY II
Location: Commonwealth Room
Chairperson: Daniel A. Drain, Pontifical John Paul II Institute:
- John F. X. Knasas, University of St. Thomas (Houston): “Thomism and Theology: Fides et Ratio and the Wishes of St. John Paul II.”

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Saturday Morning, March 30, 2019
DeSales University Center
8:00 AM: MASS
Location: Connelly Chapel

9:30-11:30 AM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS V

5.1 Theology and the Thomistic Tradition
   Location: Hurd Room
   Chairperson: Joe Butera, Providence College
   - Michael Torre, University of San Francisco: “The Last Task of Metaphysics and the Intellectual Vocation of Jacques Maritain”
   - James F. Keating, Providence College: “Whither Thomistic Theology?”
   - Jeremy D. Wilkins, Boston College: “Wither, Thomism! Or, Whether it is Better to Praise or to Imitate the Master?”

5.2 Aesthetics and Knowledge of God
   Location: Trexler Room
   Chairperson: John G. Trapani, Walsh University, Emeritus
   - Julianne Dolan Mitchell, University of Notre Dame: “Creative Intuition and Connatural Knowledge”
   - Joseph McGowan, University of Holy Cross: “Maritain’s Contemplation as Means to Perfection”

5.3 Phenomenology and Catholic Philosophy
   Location: Heritage Room
   Chairperson: James M. Murdoch, Jr., Villanova University
   - Jon Kirwan, St. Patrick’s Seminary: “Ambroise Gardeil, Garrigou Lagrange, and Maurice Blondel: A First Engagement (1896-1910)”
   - Greg Kerr, DeSales University: “Gabriel Marcel: A Path Back to a More Reasonable Notion of Reason”
   - Brian Panasiak, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin: “Lublin Thomism as a Basis for John Paul II’s Theology of the Body and Social Theology”

5.4 Theodicy
   Location: Wood Room
   Chairperson: Trinity O’Neill, Franciscan University of Steubenville
   - Francis Feingold  St. Patrick Seminary: “Jacques Maritain and the ‘Wounding of God’”
   - Fr. Samuele Pinna, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan: “God and Evil from a Thomist Point of View: The Theology of Journet Compared with the Philosophy of Maritain”
   - Vittorio Robiati Ben Daud, Independent Scholar: “Readings of the Book of Job”

5.5 Affectivity and Spirituality
Location: Commonwealth Room  
Chairperson: Matthew Minerd, Ss. Cyril and Methodius Seminary  
- Mary Veronica Sabelli, R.S.M., St. Vincent College: “Aquinas and von Hildebrand on Affectivity: A Search for Complementarity between Two Disparate Approaches”  

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Reception Gallery and Commonwealth Room

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1:00-3:00 PM: CONCURRENT SESSIONS VI

6.1 **Metaphysical Analysis of Theological Problems**  
Location: Hurd Room  
Chairperson: David Liberto, Notre Dame Seminary  
- John C. Cahalan, Independent Scholar: “Is the Trinity a Counterexample to Transitivity of Identity?”  
- Travis Dumsday, Concordia University of Edmonton: “Transubstantiation Through the Lens of Spacetime Substantivalism”

6.2 **The Crisis of Modernity**  
Location: Trexler Room  
Chairperson: James Jacobs, Notre Dame Seminary  
- Thomas Rourke, Clarion University of Pennsylvania: “Augusto del Noce: Philosophical Roots of Contemporary Socio-Political Trends”  

6.3 **Theology as a Science**  
Location: Heritage Room  
Chairperson: Thao Nguyen. University of St. Thomas (Houston)  
- Phillip Berns, University of St. Thomas (Houston): “Scholastic Science and Modern Clarity: What Thomism Offers Modern Theology”
• Matthew Minerl, Ss. Cyril and Methodius Seminary: “The Noetic Structure of Wisdom, Viewed from the Perspective of a Disagreement Between Jacques Maritain and Fr. Santiago Maria Ramírez, O.P.”
• Jacob Alexander, University of St. Thomas (Houston): “Scientific Theology: Natural and Supernatural Perfections”

6.4 Hylomorphism
Location: Wood Room
Chairperson: Greg Kerr, DeSales University
• Fernando Alfredo Riofrío, Universidad de Piura: "Brain and Mind are the Same? On Whether One Can Have Unity in Being Both Matter and Spirit"
• Marie George, St. John’s University: “What Would Thomas Aquinas Think about Near-Death Experiences?”

6.5 Truth and Today
Location: Commonwealth Room
Chairperson: Joshua Schulz, DeSales University
• Claudia Cazorla, Manhattanville College.
• Jake Filliez, Manhattanville College.
• Erika Sandilands, Manhattanville College.

3:15-5:30 PM: PLENARY SESSION III
Location: Commonwealth Room
Chairperson: Christopher Cullen, S.J., Fordham University
• Christopher Grey, Open University (UK); John Trapani, Walsh University, Emeritus; and Greg Kerr, DeSales University: “Understanding Music Truthfully: What Maritain Might Have Said”?

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