



The Legacies of Nicaea I and Vatican II: *An Inheritance Unfolding*

September 4–7, 2025

Marquette University, Milwaukee, Wisconsin



Agenda

Friday, September 5, 2025

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Optional Mass AMU Chapel of the Holy Family
8:00 – 9:10 a.m.	Continental Breakfast AMU Lynch Lounge
9:10 – 9:25 a.m.	Opening Remarks AMU Ballroom
9:25 – 10:40 a.m.	Keynote Lecture 1 AMU Ballroom Speaker: Lewis Ayres (Durham University/Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas) Respondent: Ellen Scully (Seton Hall University)
10:40 – 11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break AMU Lynch Lounge
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Concurrent Papers <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Re-Narrating Nicaea• Reception and Hermeneutics• Patristic Influences and Legacy 1• Patristic Influences and Legacy 2• The Broader Legacies of Nicaea I

Session 1: *Re-Narrating Nicaea* (Panel sponsored by Augustine Institute) AMU Ballroom

- Jean-Paul Juge (Augustine Institute), From Word to Son: Nicaea and the Legacy of Logos Theology
- Elizabeth Klein (Augustine Institute), The Martyrs, the Doctrine of Creation, and the Performance of Orthodoxy prior to Nicaea
- Joseph Reidy (Kenrick-Glennon Seminary), Is “Arian” an appropriate term? An Historiographical Approach

Session 2: *Reception and Hermeneutics* AMU 252

- Joseph Diaz (Marquette University), Bernard’s Use of *Audiens* as a Key for Conciliar Understanding
- Joshua Miller (Marquette University and Saint Francis de Sales Seminary), Renewing the Nicene Faith: The Canon of Councils and the Development of Doctrine
- Matthew Rose (Bishop O’Connell High School), Nicaea’s Canon 19: Lessons for the post-Vatican II Ecclesial Landscape

Session 3: *Patristic Influences and Legacy 1* AMU 254

- Daniel Edwards (Marquette University), “Who Shall Declare His Generation?”: Divine Incomprehensibility in the Controversies over Nicaea
- Micah Hogan (Marquette University), Uncreated Light from Uncreated Light: Gregory Palamas’ Nicene Theology of Christ and Creation

Session 4: *Patristic Influences and Legacy 2* AMU 313

- Jimmy Chan (Alliance Bible Seminary), The Fathers’ Critical Evaluation of Augustine’s Defense of Homoousion in His Correspondence with Pascentius
- John Kegley (University of Notre Dame), Cyril of Alexandria’s Appropriation of Athanasius’ Exegesis of Proverbs 8:22

Session 5: *The Broader Legacies of Nicaea I* AMU 305

- Trevor Rickenbrode (Boston College), The Status of the Church of Rome in the Canons of Nicaea and Sardica
- Thomas Pietsch (Australian Catholic University), Nicaea and Our Unmade World
- John-Paul Heil (Mount St. Mary’s University), Niccolò Machiavelli, Arian?

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch on your own <i>Pre-purchased lunch passes can be used at the dining hall in The Commons</i>
2:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Keynote Lecture 2 AMU Ballroom Speaker: Robin Darling Young (Catholic University of America) Acquiring Citizenship, Grasping the Symbolon, and the <i>Sine Qua Non</i> of Nicaea Respondent: Marcus Plested (Marquette University)
3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	Coffee Break AMU Lynch Lounge
3:45 – 5:00 p.m.	Keynote Lecture 3 AMU Ballroom (Open to the Public) Speaker: Bishop Gregory John Mansour (Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn) The Council of Nicaea and Our Longing for Church Unity Respondent: Andrew Summerson (Sheptytsky Institute, University of St. Michael's College, Toronto)
5:00 p.m.	Dinner on your own

Saturday, September 6, 2025

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Optional Mass AMU Chapel of the Holy Family
8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast AMU Lynch Lounge
9:00 – 9:15 a.m.	Opening Remarks AMU Ballroom
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Keynote Lecture 4 AMU Ballroom Speaker: Stephen Bullivant (St. Mary's University, Twickenham) The Get Along Gang: Polarization and Unity in American Catholicism since Vatican II Respondent: Shaun Blanchard (University of Notre Dame Australia)
10:30 – 11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break AMU Lynch Lounge
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Concurrent Papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The "Soul of Theology" in Vatican II • Living the Legacies of Vatican II • Confronting Ecumenical Impasses • Interpreting Conciliar Texts • Interpreting Vocational Responsibilities • Ecumenism in Global Context



Session 1: *The “Soul of Theology” in Vatican II*
(Panel sponsored by Augustine Institute)
AMU Ballroom

- Michael Patrick Barber (Augustine Institute), *Dei Verbum*
- Christopher Mooney (Augustine Institute), Scripture and Ecumenism
- Arielle Harms (Augustine Institute), Scripture and *Gaudium et Spes*

Session 2: *Living the Legacies of Vatican II*
AMU 157

- Kate Ward (Marquette University), Contemporary Moral Helplessness and Vatican II's Universal Call to Social Justice: A Way Forward
- Nicholas Waddell (Saint Francis de Sales Seminary), Whose Signs? Which Times? – Vatican II after Sixty Years
- Deirdre Dempsey (Marquette University), “The study of the sacred page is the soul of sacred theology”: An Assessment of Scripture Study after Vatican II

Session 3: *Confronting Ecumenical Impasses*
AMU 252

- Andrew Kim (Marquette University), Evangelicals and Catholics Apart: The Chilly Dialogue of Evangelicals and Catholics post *Unitatis Redintegratio*
- Cathal Doherty, S.J. (Marquette University), Ecumenism as Dialogical Narrative of Forgiveness
- Ephrem Reese, O.P. (The Catholic University of America), The Hierarchical Quality of the Second Vatican Council as an Ecumenical Strength

Session 4: *Interpreting Conciliar Texts*
AMU 254

- Matthew Kehoe (Pontifical Gregorian University), *Dignitatis Humanae* and Development *In Sinu Ecclesiae*
- Laura Currie (Dominican School of Philosophy & Theology at Graduate Theological Union), *Lumen Gentium* and St. Bonaventure's Metaphysics: Interpreting *Lumen Gentium's* “*Subsistit in*” with St. Bonaventure's “*Fontalis Plenitudo*”
- Taylor Payne (Ave Maria University), Joseph Ratzinger's Reception of *Dei Verbum*

Session 5: *Interpreting Vocational Responsibilities*
AMU 313

- Margaret Schlueter (University of Notre Dame), Creativity Through the Spirit: Sergius Bulgakov's Pneumatology and John Paul II's Vision of the Laity
- Rachel Sheils (Marquette University), The Restored Permanent Diaconate as Effective Agent for the Vision of Catholic Social Teaching
- Yiyi Zhang (Boston College), A Heart Transformed by Love: Vatican II and Ecumenism in the Cloistered Life of Mother Elizabeth of the Trinity

Session 6: *Ecumenism in Global Context*
AMU 305

- Paul Elhallal (University of Notre Dame), The Maronite Reception of *Orientalium Ecclesiarum*: A Case Study in Theological and Liturgical Archeology
- Maria Ivaniv Lonchyna (Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia), *Consensus Fidelium*: Reception of the Decree *Orientalium Ecclesiarum* and the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church's Synod of Bishops after Vatican II
- Sinoj Jose Mathew (KU Leuven), Beyond the Western Lens: Reframing Vatican II through the Indian Church's Reception



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2:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Keynote Lecture 5 AMU Ballroom Speaker: Susan K. Wood, SCL (Regis College, Toronto School of Theology) A New Stage in the Reception of Vatican II: The Pontificate of Pope Francis Respondent: David Luy (Trinity Anglican Seminary)
3:15 – 3:45 p.m.	Break AMU Lynch Lounge
3:45 – 4:45 p.m.	Concurrent Papers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reception and Legacy 1 • Reception and Legacy 2 • Influences • Liturgy • Canon Law • Synodality

Session 1: *Reception and Legacy 1* **AMU 157**

- **Charles Love** (St. Louis University), The Tübingen Keystone in the Arc of Communio-Ecclesiology
- **Ryan Duns, S.J.** (Marquette University), Martyrdom as Frag-Event: Discerning the Inner Logic of Martyrdom

Session 2: *Reception and Legacy 2* **AMU 252**

- **Conor M. Kelly** (Marquette University), The Legacy of Vatican II in Catholic Higher Education: A Call for Holistic Conciliar Application
- **Todd Walatka** (University of Notre Dame), Center and Periphery: Paul VI, Óscar Romero, and the Reception of Vatican II

Session 3: *Influences* **AMU 254**

- **Mark Spinnenweber** (Boston College), “Such Wicked Teachings”: The Melkite Synod of Qarqafe (1806) as an Overlooked Influence on the Second Vatican Council
- **Luke Togni** (Saint Mary’s University Halifax), Dionysius’ Legacy in Vatican II: Development or Forgetting?

Session 4: *Liturgy* **AMU 313**

- **Nico Fassino** (Independent Scholar), The “New Mass” of 1964: Popular Reception of the First Post-conciliar Liturgical Changes
- **Michael Proietta** (Marquette University), The Internal Rationality of Latin Sacred Music: Revisiting Liturgical Inculturation

Session 5: *Canon Law* **AMU 305**

- **Emily Turner** (Boston College), The 1983 Code of Canon Law as the ‘Last Major Document’ of the Second Vatican Council
- **Russell Ward** (University of Notre Dame), The Church Incorporated: The Tradition of Ecclesial Corporation Theory as a Basis for Reconsidering Ecclesial Authority

Session 6: *Synodality* **AMU 448**

- **Edwin Donnelly, C.S.C.** (University of Notre Dame), Seeds of Synodality: From Nicaea through Vatican II and Beyond
- **Julia McStravog** (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops), Dialogue and Synodality: Partners in Spiritual Formation



5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Dinner on your own

7:00 – 8:15 p.m.

Keynote Panel
Weasler Auditorium
(Open to the Public)

What Do We Do with the Conciliar
Tradition Today? Practical and
Pastoral Insights

Edward P. Hahnenberg
(John Carroll University)

Jacob Strand (St. Frances Cabrini
and St. Mary's Immaculate
Conception Parishes, West Bend)

Aaron Waldoch (St. Anthony High
School, Milwaukee)

Moderator:

Grace Mazza Urbanski (Pope's
Worldwide Prayer Network-USA)

8:15 – 9:15 p.m.

Dessert Reception
AMU Lunda Room
and Henke Lounge
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Sunday, September 7, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Concluding Mass
Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
812 N. Jackson St., Milwaukee

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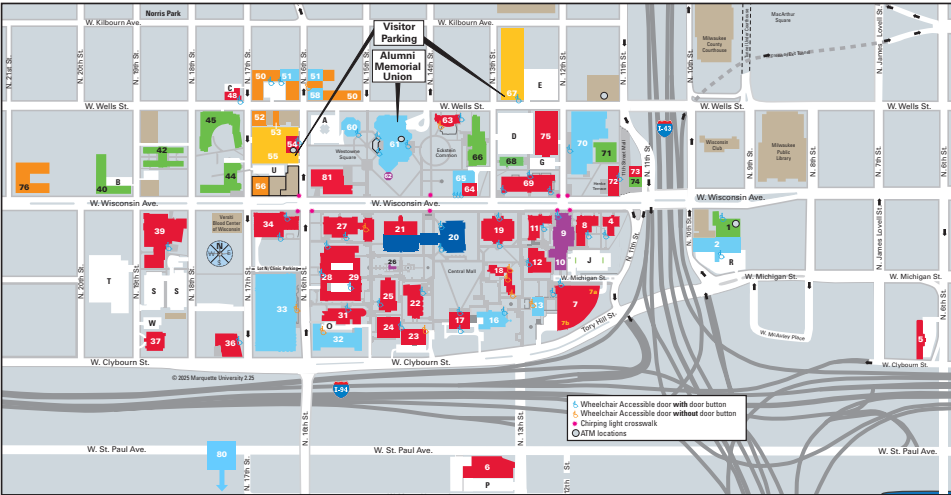
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