

# CHRISTIANITY IN A PLURALISTIC SOCIETY

## 2<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL MCCORMICK ETHICS COLLOQUIUM

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## MONDAY, MARCH 18

**8:30 - 9:00**      **Continental Breakfast**

**9:00 - 9:15**      **Welcome to Loyola**

Reinhard Andress, Dean of College of Arts and Sciences  
Susan Ross, Chair of Department of Theology  
Hille Haker, Richard A. McCormick, S.J. Chair of Moral  
Theology

**Session 1**      **Christianity in a Pluralistic Society: Introduction**

9:15 - 9:45      Christof Mandry: Pluralistic society and Christianity –  
Germany

9:45 - 10:15      Michael Murphy: Pluralistic society and Christianity –  
USA

10:15 - 10:30      Break

10:30 - 11:00      Benedikt Kranemann: Liturgy in a pluralistic society

11:00 - 11:30      Susan Ross: Feminist Spirituality and the Christian liturgy

11:30 - 12:00      Discussion

**12:00 - 2:00**      **Lunch**

**Session 2**      **Christianity in Different Contexts**

2:00 - 2:20      Petr Stica: Theology in a Post-Christian Society; Selected  
Challenges for Catholic Theology in the Czech Republik

2:20 - 2:40      Silas Morgan: Political Theology...

2:40 - 2:50      Theresa Niesing: Response

2:50 - 3:15      Discussion

3:15 - 3:30      Break

3:30 - 3:50      Sebastian Holzbrecher: Civil Society in Socialist  
Dictatorship? Annotations from a Theological Point of  
View

3:50 - 4:10      Colby Dickinson

4:10 - 4:20      Jesse Perillo: Response

4:20 - 4:45      Discussion

**Session 3**

6:00 - 7:30

**Keynote Lecture**

Robin Lovin: The Challenges of Contemporary Christianity

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19****8:30 - 9:00****Continental Breakfast****Session 4**

9:00 - 9:20

**Christianity in Different Contexts**

Henning Bühmann: Service on the front; German Gospel Wagons as a tool of evangelism in a pluralizing society (1926-1933)

9:20 - 9:40

William Myatt: Religion in the public sphere

9:40 - 9:50

Katharina Koenig: Response

9:50 - 10:15

Discussion

10:15 - 10:30

Break

10:30 - 10:50

Michael Karger: If life itself will be a burden...; Canonical reflections about the sanctifying office of the Catholic Church in the context of euthanasia

10:50 - 11:10

Tara Flanagan: Hospice Care and a Theology of Hospitality for Patients at the End of Life

11:10 - 11:20

Reka Nagy Ujlaki: Response

11:20 - 11:45

Discussion

**12:00 - 2:00****Lunch****Session 5**

2:00 - 2:30

**Christianity in Different Contexts**

Christof Mandry: Theological Ethics and the Pluralism of Values – the case of the European Union

2:30 - 3:00

John Crowley Buck: Religion in the Civil Sphere – the Future of Catholic Social Teaching

3:00 - 3:10

Joshua Maldin: Response

3:10 - 3:35

Discussion

**4:00 – 6:00**      **Conversation with the author: Bren Murphy – Nuns in Popular Culture (documentary)**

**6:30 - 8:30**      **Dinner**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

**8:30 - 9:00**      **Continental Breakfast**

**Session 6**      **Christianity in Different Contexts**

9:00 - 9:30      Walter Lesch: Religious and ethical plurality in secular and post-secular cities”

9:30 - 10:00      John McCarthy: Secular or post-secular societies?

10:00 - 10:10      Response: Michael McCarthy

10:10 - 10:35      Discussion

10:35 - 10:50      Break

**Session 7**      **Christianity in Different Contexts**

10:50 - 11:10      Scott Moore: Liturgies of Baptismal Remembrance; Inclusive or Exclusive?

11:10 - 11:20      Grant Gholson: Ecclesial Justice – A New Framework

11:30 - 11:40      Brigitte Benz: Response

11:40 - 12:05      Discussion

12:05 - 1:30      Lunch

**Session 8**      **Closing Session**

1:30 - 2:15      Hille Haker: Religion in the Public Sphere

2:15 - 2:30      Break

2:30 - 4:30      Panel Discussion Led by Respondents:

Chair - Robert Mueller, Theresa Niesing, Jesse Perillo, Katharina Koenig, Reka Nagy Ujlaki, John Crowley Buck, Brigitte Benz, Michael McCarthy