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2015 Lenten Lecture Series



Among the documents of Vatican II (1962-65), only one—*Gaudium et Spes*—focuses on the relationship of the church to the world at-large. This series will not just revisit its revolutionary implications set forth a half-century ago, but suggest that its vision and moral imperatives still challenge us to realize an inclusive human community characterized by love, justice, and peace.

FEBRUARY 25, 2015

7:15 p.m., Grace Hall Board Room

Kathryn Getek Soltis, Ph.D., Villanova University

“The Continuing Relevance of the Key Principles of *Gaudium et Spes*”

Soltis is the director of the Center for Peace and Justice Education and a professor of Christian Ethics. Co-editor of the text, “Virtue and the Moral Life,” she has published or presented many scholarly articles in the areas of Catholic social teaching, virtue ethics, and prison ministry. She received a doctorate in theological ethics from Boston College.

MARCH 11, 2015

7:15 p.m., Grace Hall Board Room

Cynthia Dobrzynski, Sr. Vice-President, Mission & Ministry, Catholic Charities USA

“The Work of Catholic Charities USA: Putting into Action the Vision of *Gaudium et Spes*”

Dobrzynski coordinates the Mission and Ministry office for Catholic Charities USA. For more than two decades she has been active in ministry dealing with education, family life ministry, spirituality, and Catholic health care. She has degrees from Georgetown University and Boston College.

MARCH 18, 2015

7:15 p.m., Grace Hall Board Room

Hosffman Ospino, Ph.D., School of Theology and Ministry, Boston College
“Joys & Hopes, Grievs & Anxieties of Hispanic Catholics and the Transformation of the American Experience”

Ospino is a professor of Hispanic ministry and religious education at Boston College, where he also received a doctorate in theology and education. A native of Colombia, he is one of the principal coordinators of the groundbreaking National Study of Catholic Parishes with Hispanic Ministry. He is also very active on the grassroots level in Hispanic pastoral ministry in Boston.

MARCH 25, 2015

7:15 p.m., Mansion Dining Hall

Khalid Y. Blankinship, Ph.D., Department of Religion, Temple University
“A Muslim Assessment of the Spiritual Vision of *Gaudium et Spes*”

Blankinship is chair of the Department of Religion at Temple University. An author of at least three books and numerous scholarly articles on Muslim law, history, and spirituality, he has lectured in places abroad such as Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Egypt, India, and Malaysia. He is an active member of the American Academy of Religion. Blankinship earned a doctorate in history from the University of Washington.

MARCH 31, 2015

7:15 p.m., Grace Hall Board Room

Rabbi Arthur Waskow, Ph.D., Director, The Shalom Center, Philadelphia
“Dancing in God’s Earthquake: A Response to *Gaudium et Spes*”

Waskow is the founder and director of The Shalom Center, which strives to integrate political action and spiritual searching in Jewish, multireligious, and American life. Cited by *Newsweek* as one of the 50 most influential U.S. rabbis, he has authored 22 books, and for the past half-century has been articulating the import of Judaism for issues such as ecology and human rights.

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