

MAGNUS ES DOMINE

Graduate Student Conference on *St. Augustine's Confessions*

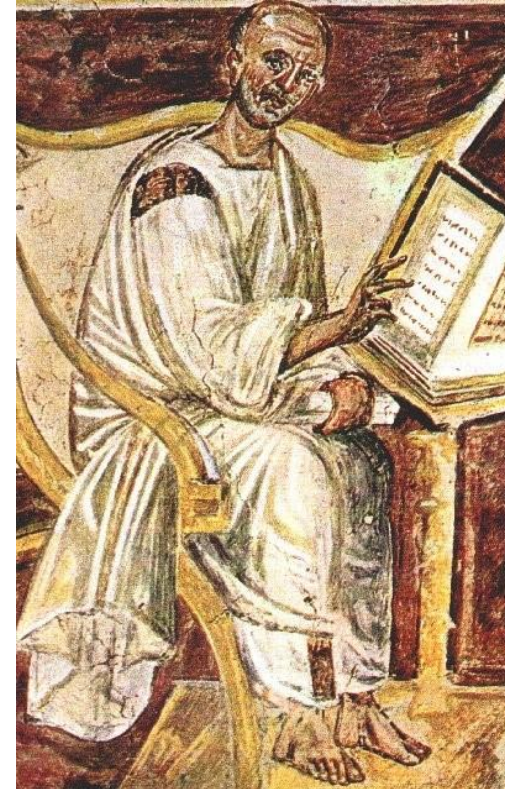
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Friday, December 1, 2017

1:00-6:30pm



Schedule

Session 1 – Prayer and Sacrifice

Chair: Dr. Kevin White (Philosophy)

1pm - Bridget Safranek (Philosophy), "Philosophy as Prayer: Augustine's Use of Plotinus and the Psalms in *Confessions* I.13.20"

1:20pm - Sr. Maria Theotókos Adams, SSVM (Theology), "*Confitendo Tibi*: The Influence of Psalm 106(107) on the Imagery and Structure of Augustine's *Confessions*"

1:40pm - David L. Augustine (Theology), "The Proleptic Character of the Sacrificial Motifs in Augustine's *Confessions*"

Session 2 – Learning

Chair: Dr. Thomas Clemmons (Theology)

2pm - Marcela Duque (Philosophy), "The Presence of Present Things in Attention: *Contuitus* and *Attentio* in *Confessions* XI. 28."

2:20pm - Timothy Anderson (Philosophy), "Our Infant Condition: Augustine on Learning Atemporal Speech in Book VII of the *Confessions*"

2:40pm - Robert Gervasini (Philosophy), "Overcoming the *concupiscentia oculorum*: Philosophy as a Transition from Mere Curiosity to Faith in St. Augustine's *Confessions* Books 3 and 7 especially 3.4.7 and 7.10.16"

Coffee Break

Session 3 – Friends and Family

Chair: Jodie Augustine (Greek and Latin)

3:10pm - Maggie Morgan (English), "Augustine's *Confessions* and Communal Guilt: "Alone, I would not have done it.""

3:30pm - Tuan (Fr. Thomas) Nguyen (Philosophy), "True Friendship According to *Confessions* 4.4.7"

3:50pm - Yuening Rao (Semitics), "A Yearning for Life: Dear Ones' Death and Consolation in Ambrose, Jerome, and Augustine"

Session 4 – Metaphysics of Immanence and Transcendence

Chair: Br. Thomas Martin Miller, OP (Philosophy)

4:10pm - Jason C. Paone (Theology), "Privation, Imperfection, and Plenitude in Augustine's Metaphysics of Evil"

4:30pm - Daniel Martin (Philosophy), "Trembling before God: The Meaning of *Horrore* in 7.10.16 of Augustine's *Confessions*"

4:50pm - Sarah Moravsik (Greek and Latin), "*tetigisti me, et exarsi in pacem tuam* (*Conf. X. 38*): The Spiritual Sense of Touch in Augustine's *Confessions*"

Session 5 – Humility

Chair: Keturah Kiehl (Greek and Latin)

5:10pm - Paul Burghart (Philosophy), "Augustine Beggared: Reflections on *Confessions* 6.6.9"

5:30pm - Daniel M. Bennett (Theology), "The Hermeneutic of Humility: Scripture and Exegesis in Augustine's *Confessions*"

5:50pm - Michael Wegenka, S.J. (Theology), "Humility as the Basis of Community: Monastic Ideals in Augustine's *Confessions*"

Session 6

6:10-6:30pm - General Discussion

6:30pm - Reception in Map Room