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Cristina Vanin, PhD  
Lectures Coordinator

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# Vatican II: envisioning the next 50 years

**2012-2013 Lectures in  
Catholic Experience**

**C.L. Siegfried Hall**

**7:30 - 9:30 PM**

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**On October 11, 2012, we will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of Vatican II, an ecumenical council whose impact is still being felt.**

In calling this council, Blessed John XXIII had two major goals: he desired Christian unity, taking steps to have official observers from the Orthodox and Protestant Churches present at the council and to establish the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity.

Pope John also wanted an *aggiornamento*, a renewal or 'bringing up to date' of the Catholic Church. It was a time of opening up the windows of the church and letting in fresh air, in a spirit of willingness to engage with the modern world. We were invited to 'read the signs of the times,' to be in solidarity with the whole of humanity, and to respond to the "joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted." (*Gaudium et spes*)

In our 2012-2013 lectures, we will consider the signs of our own time. Our speakers will introduce us to the plight of migrants, human rights challenges, Jewish-Christian relations, the 'Arab Awakening,' ecological justice, human health, and to individuals who witness to the role of religion in politics and the challenges of a life of faith.

I look forward to seeing you!



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cristina Vanin".

**Cristina Vanin, PhD, Lectures Coordinator**

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### 2012-2013 Lectures in Catholic Experience C. L. Siegfried Hall | 7:30 – 9:30 PM

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#### Friday, October 5, 2012 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Teresa Dease Lecture

Speaker **Daniel G. Groody**, CSC, PhD  
University of Notre Dame

##### A Pilgrim People, a Human journey: Theological Perspectives on Migration and Eucharist

There are 200 million people worldwide, roughly the equivalent of the population of Brazil, who are displaced from their homelands by wars, genocide, famine, natural catastrophes, and collapsed or withering economies. "When we look at the experience of migrants today, we see that they are hungry in their homeland, thirsty when they cross the desert, naked after having been robbed even of their clothing, imprisoned in detention centers, sick in hospitals, and then, if they make it across, treated as strangers." Professor Groody considers the complexity and urgency of the global phenomenon of migration, inviting us to respond with hospitality.



**Daniel G. Groody** is a member of the Holy Cross community, Associate Professor of Theology and Director of the Center for Latino Spirituality and Culture, University of Notre Dame. Drawing on years of work along the U.S.-Mexico border, he has authored various books including *Border of Death, Valley of Life: An Immigrant Journey of Heart and Spirit* (2002), and co-edited *A Promised Land, A Perilous Journey: Theological Perspectives on Migration* (2007). Dr. Groody has worked with the U.S. Congress, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the World Council of Churches, and the Vatican on issues of theology, globalization, and immigration.

*This lecture is endowed by a special fund created by the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Loretto Sisters.*

#### Friday, October 26, 2012 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Devlin Lecture

Speaker **Kristin Henrard**, PhD, LL.M.  
Department of Constitutional Law  
Erasmus University of Rotterdam, The Netherlands

##### Human Rights and Church-State Relations: The New Challenges

Tensions exist between the prohibition against discrimination on the basis of religion and the duty of the state to uphold neutrality and impartiality in terms of the freedom of religion. International organizations are reluctant to impose limits on states in this respect, thus downplaying the effective role of human rights. Professor Henrard will evaluate the Lautsi judgments made by the European Court of Human Rights, and investigate the argument that changed religious demographics further reduce the legitimacy of giving a special status to a religion that used to be adhered to by the vast majority of people in a country.



**Kristin Henrard** is a professor of minority protection at the Erasmus University of Rotterdam (EUR) and associate professor of Constitutional Law. She studied law at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, with special focus on human rights and international law and obtained an LL.M. from Harvard Law School in 1995. Her publications are in the areas of human rights and minority protection, including educational rights, linguistic rights, the principle of equal treatment and the prohibition of (racial) discrimination, the freedom of religion and the accommodation of religious diversity, socio-economic and political participation.

*This lecture is made possible through the Devlin lecture fund.*

#### Friday, November 16, 2012 | 7:30 pm \* Please note different location and lecture details

Speaker **Elizabeth Johnson**, CSJ, PhD  
Distinguished Professor of Theology  
Fordham University, New York

Loyola Chapel, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph, Ontario  
7:30 pm  
\$20 advance/\$25 at the door

##### Meet the Speaker Event

Loyola Chapel, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph, Ontario  
5:00 – 7:00 pm

Eucharistic liturgy and reception to meet Elizabeth Johnson before the public lecture  
\$50 (reception and lecture)

Contact: 519-824-1250

##### A Faith that Loves the Earth

In this age of ecological stress, theology is rediscovering the natural world as a subject of religious value. In this lecture, Dr. Johnson traces how a Christian faith traditionally centered on human beings is growing to include the natural world in the definition of the 'neighbour' we are to love as ourselves.



After receiving a PhD in theology from the Catholic University of America (1981), **Dr. Elizabeth Johnson** taught at CUA before moving to Fordham. A former president of the Catholic Theological Society of America and of the American Theological Society, she was awarded Fordham University's Teaching Award in 1998 and Professor of the Year Award in 2011. Dr. Johnson is currently researching Darwin's idea of evolution in relation to the doctrine of creation so as to make care of the earth, an inescapable part of Christian life.

*This lecture is co-sponsored with the Ignatius Jesuit Centre in Guelph, Ontario.*

#### Friday, November 30, 2012 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 John J. Wintermeyer Lecture

Speaker **Greg Donaghy**, PhD  
Head of the Historical Section of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Ottawa

##### A Catholic Journey: Paul Martin Sr., Religion, and Politics

Catholicism defined the private life and public career of Paul Martin Sr. (1903-92), one of Canada's leading politicians in the decades after World War Two. As a young man, he rejected the classical conservatism of a junior seminary in Québec, embracing instead the more tolerant version of Catholicism he encountered during the 1920s at St. Michael's College in the Protestant University of Toronto. Professor Donaghy will explore Martin's early faith experiences, and examine the resulting philosophy of social justice and political change that drove this young Catholic to challenge the status quo in Depression Canada.



**Greg Donaghy** received his PhD from the University of Waterloo in 1998 and became Head of the Historical Section of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in 2003. He has edited six volumes in the series *Documents on Canadian External Relations*, as well as several collections of essays on post-war Canada, including (with Patricia Roy) *Contradictory Impulses: Canada and Japan in the 20th Century* (2008). His recent publications include the collection, *Canada and the Hungarian Revolution: A Documentary Perspective* (2004), for which Dr. Donaghy was awarded a Medal of Freedom in 2006 by the Hungarian Government.

*This lecture is endowed by a special fund created by family and friends in memory of the Honourable John J. Wintermeyer.*

#### Friday, December 14, 2012 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Ignatian lecture

Speaker **Massimo Faggioli**, PhD  
Assistant Professor of History of Modern Christianity  
University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota

##### Vatican II: The Battle for Meaning

Professor Faggioli will address the history of the debate regarding Vatican II, and will focus on the core issues in the interpretation of the council today including whether Vatican II was a beginning or a renewal, the intertextual dynamic of the council texts, and the change and historicity in theology and in the Church. He will offer some hints about the 'clash of narratives' regarding Vatican II and restore the council in its historical and theological dimensions.



**Dr. Faggioli** worked in the "John XXIII Foundation for Religious Studies" in Bologna between 1996 and 2008, and received his PhD from the University of Turin in 2002. He is an Assistant Professor of History of Modern Christianity at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota, and a member of the research network, "The Lived History of Vatican II" at the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Faggioli's book, *Vatican II: The Battle for Meaning*, was published in 2012 by Paulist Press. Liturgical Press will be publishing his upcoming book, *The Implications of the Liturgical Reform of Vatican II*.

*This lecture is made possible through the Ignatian lecture fund.*

#### Friday, February 8, 2013 | 7:30 pm

Speakers **Michael W. Higgins**, PhD and **Kevin Burns**

##### Henri Nouwen, Genius Born of Anguish – Exploring a book of IDEAS

Michael W. Higgins and Kevin Burns, the creators of a 3-part CBC Ideas series and the recent Novalis/Paulist publication: *Genius Born of Anguish – The Life and Legacy of Henri Nouwen*, will take us inside the biography and the accomplishments of the charismatic teacher and gifted writer, Henri Nouwen. They will share their insights into this important and complex figure in contemporary spirituality who, according to Ron Rolheiser OMI, was equal parts genius, artist, tormented soul, and "a saint in progress."



**Michael W. Higgins** is the author and co-author of over a dozen books, including two award-winning volumes – *Heretic Blood* and *Suffer the Children unto Me*. He is a former President of St. Jerome's University and is currently Vice-President of Mission and Catholic Identity at Sacred Heart University, Connecticut. He is also the official biographer of Henri Nouwen.



**Kevin Burns** is an Ottawa-based writer, editor, and researcher with an extensive publishing background in the areas of spirituality, religion, and matters of faith and culture. He is also a seasoned freelance radio producer with documentaries for CBC Radio's *Tapestry* and *Ideas*. He is a member of the Board of Governors of St. Jerome's University.

*This lecture is supported by the Waterloo Catholic District School Board.*

#### Wednesday, February 27, 2013 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Scarboro Missions Lecture

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Speaker **Rabbi David Rosen**, International Director of Interreligious Affairs, American Jewish Committee Jerusalem, Israel

##### Nostra Aetate – the fruits of Vatican II for Christian-Jewish relations

The Vatican II document *Nostra Aetate* heralded a dramatic modern revolution in Jewish-Catholic relations, in particular, and Christian-Jewish relations in general. Nevertheless, many Christians and even Jews are unaware of how much of a transformation this has been. Rabbi Rosen will highlight the latter by summarizing the past Christian approach to Jews and Judaism, analyzing the significance of *Nostra Aetate* and how its teaching has been developed subsequently by the Magisterium, especially under Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI. He will also indicate the challenges for the ongoing relationship.



**Rabbi Rosen** is the International Director of Interreligious Affairs for the American Jewish Committee and its Heilbrunn Institute for International Understanding. Among many positions, he is a founder of the Interreligious Coordinating Council in Israel that embraces some seventy organizations in Israel involved in interfaith relations, a member of the Permanent Bilateral Commission of the State of Israel and the Holy See and also of the International Jewish Committee for Inter-Religious Consultations. He is President of the World conference on Religion and Peace and Honorary President of the International Council of Christians and Jews.

*This lecture is endowed by a special fund created by the Scarboro Missions.*

#### Friday, March 15, 2013 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Spalding Family Lecture on Diversity and Tolerance

Speaker **Tariq Ramadan**, PhD  
Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies  
Oxford University, United Kingdom

##### The Arab Awakening: Islam and the new Middle East

Drawing from his recent book, *The Arab Awakening: Islam and the new Middle East*, Professor Ramadan asks: can Muslim countries bring together Islam, pluralism and democracy without betraying their identity? Will the Arab world be able to reclaim its memory to reinvent education, women's rights, social justice, economic growth and the fight against corruption? Can this emancipation be envisioned with Islam, experienced not as a straitjacket, but as an ethical and cultural wealth? He argues that the Arab world has an historic opportunity to stop blaming the West, to jettison its victim status and to create a truly new dynamic.



**Professor Ramadan** holds an MA in Philosophy and French literature and a PhD in Arabic and Islamic Studies from the University of Geneva. In Cairo, Egypt, he received one-on-one intensive training in classic Islamic scholarship from Al-Azhar University scholars. He has contributed substantially to the debate on contemporary Islamic issues, Islamic revival in the world, and Muslims in the west. Professor Ramadan is active both at the academic and grassroots levels, lecturing internationally on theology, Islamic law and jurisprudence, applied ethics, philosophy, social justice, economy, politics, interfaith and intracommunity dialogue.

*This lecture is endowed by a special fund created by the Spalding family.*

#### Friday, April 12, 2013 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 Waterloo Catholic District School Board Lecture

Speaker **Thomas Cardinal Collins**, Archbishop of Toronto

##### Educating the Whole Person: Our Hopes for Catholic Education

Named by Pope Benedict XVI to become a member of the Congregation for Catholic Education, Thomas Cardinal Collins hopes to see faith and reason working together. "We need to find out how to have secular excellence in terms of being able to deal with this world, but founded on a profound sense of the spiritual values and faith rooted in the Gospel." In this talk, Cardinal Collins will examine the various ways in which Catholic education makes a great contribution to our whole society and explore how it can strengthen the new evangelization.



**Thomas Cardinal Collins** received his BA from St. Jerome's, a BTh from St. Peter's Seminary, an MA in English from the University of Western Ontario, a Licentiate in Sacred Scripture from the Pontifical Biblical Institute, and a doctorate in theology from the Gregorian University. He has served as the bishop of St. Paul, Alberta, the Archbishop of Edmonton, Alberta, and is currently the Archbishop of Toronto. Archbishop Collins was elevated to the College of Cardinals in February 2012 and has received honorary degrees from the University of St. Michael's College and Niagara University.

*This lecture is supported by the Waterloo Catholic District School Board.*

#### Thursday, April 18, 2013 | 7:30 pm The 2012-2013 John Sweeney Lecture in Current Issues in Healthcare

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Heasley Hall, St. Mary's General Hospital  
911 Queen's Blvd, Kitchener, Ontario  
FREE PARKING in Visitors Lot

6:30 pm Doors Open  
7:30 pm Panel Discussion Begins

Space is limited. Please RSVP to [kbeckman@smgh.ca](mailto:kbeckman@smgh.ca)

##### It's your choice: a panel discussion on the significance of posting emergency department wait times

Given how often Canadians use the emergency department, reducing waits and improving the patient experience is a priority for policy-makers. St. Mary's General Hospital started publishing live emergency department wait times online in April 2012 in an effort to provide patients with expectations on how long they will have to wait to be seen for non-urgent issues. While some say that this information is not helpful for improving the quality of emergency department services, those calling for more information say that people have a right to know how long they might wait when they arrive at an emergency department.

The JOHN SWEENEY  
Lecture in Current Issues in Healthcare

St. Mary's General Hospital (SMGH) was founded over 85 years ago on the principles of inclusivity and openness. St. Mary's mission was simply to care for the sick and needy, especially the poor and marginalized. In the tradition of the founding order, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Hamilton, SMGH continues to provide a place of healing for all people – a place where the sick are cared for in body, mind, and spirit

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