CALL FOR PAPERS
CTSA Convention, Cleveland, Ohio
June 11-14, 2020

LIURGY/SACRAMENTS TOPIC SESSION

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CONVENTION THEME: “All You Who Labor…”: Theology, Work, and Economy

SESSION DESCRIPTION:
The Liturgy/Sacraments team invites proposals for the 2020 CTSA Convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio. The Liturgy/Sacraments session is open to a range of proposed topics drawing on the theological, practical, and ritual methods of sacramental theology and liturgical studies, but especially seeks proposals which attend to the convention theme, “All You Who Labor…”: Theology, Work, and Economy, e.g., paper proposals addressing the following or similar topics:

- The history and theological interpretation of the use of money (or other market transactions) in liturgical and sacramental practices (Mass stipends, collections at Mass, sale of indulgences, monetary payments as part of penitential satisfaction, etc.) and its symbolic influence on liturgical and sacramental praxis
- The monastic/Benedictine tradition of “Ora et Labora” and its liturgical dimensions/implications
- Liturgical and sacramental ministries seen from the perspective of work/economics/power dynamics (volunteer vs. paid positions, history/theology of professionalization of various ministries, etc.)
- Attitudes toward and practices of “Sabbath rest” and implications for liturgical rhythms of Christian life
- Economic dimensions of liturgical seasons, fasting and feasting, and implications for liturgical spirituality
- Ritual dimensions of human labor, rites of blessing for various occupations and objects related to industry, agriculture, etc.
- Economic aspects/implications of Eucharistic/liturgical spirituality (“fruit of the earth/vine and work of human hands” [Order of Mass], the offering of selves implied in liturgical participation [see SC 48], sacraments as symbolic exchange vs. market/value exchange [Chauvet])
- Appreciation and critique of various economic systems in their growing secular, global, and materialists contexts, viewed through the lens Christian sacramenality as a dimension of the economy of salvation

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL:
• Your paper proposal should be not more than 250 words.
• You should also include a 100 words précis that will be posted on the CTSA website should your paper be accepted.
• Please provide your name, institution, and contact information, including e-mail address.
• Indicate what A/V equipment you will be requiring, if any.

ELIGIBILITY FOR SUBMITTING PAPER PROPOSALS

• CTSA guidelines require that those making proposals ordinarily be associate or full members in good standing with their dues paid up. Anyone with an associate or full membership application on file can also submit a proposal if they expect to be accepted for membership in the upcoming June convention.

• No member may present a paper/respond to a paper/participate on a panel more than once at a given convention. An exception is made for members of under-represented groups. Presentations made to the Women’s Consultation on Constructive Theology are included in this rubric.

• Members cannot have a speaking role for more than two consecutive years in a three-year period.

Deadline: September 1, 2019. Please submit proposals to: David Stosur at dastosur@stritch.edu.

You will be notified by e-mail whether your paper has been accepted by September 14, 2019.