Call for Papers
CTSA Convention: Cleveland, Ohio, June 11-14, 2020
Theological Witness of Oscar Romero Interest Group

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CONVENTION THEME: ‘All You Who Labor…’ Theological Approaches to Work and Economy

SESSION DESCRIPTION:
Most Catholic theologians in the U.S. are aware of the basic outline of Romero’s life, his stand for justice, the courageous conclusion to his final Sunday homily, and his martyrdom during mass on March 24, 1980. Given this general familiarity and sympathy with Romero, it is striking that there has been little sustained Catholic theological engagement with Romero in the United States over the past four decades outside of biographical and devotional material. This interest group seeks to offer such engagement with Romero.

The third and final year of this interest group (2020) will critically engage Romero’s legacy in terms of contemporary theological questions, issues, and approaches. How might theologians today draw upon or challenge Romero’s theological vision in light of other contexts, different theological methods, the experiences of other marginalized communities, or themes unaddressed by Romero? We welcome paper proposals that engage the conference theme (theological approaches to work and economy) or proposals on other topics which creatively move forward a critical reception of Romero’s thought. Members of underrepresented groups are particularly encouraged to submit a proposal.

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 and institution and contact information, including e-mail.
• Indicate whether you will be requiring A/V equipment.

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 may not have a speaking role more than two consecutive years in any three year period

Deadline: September 1, 2019. Please submit proposals to: Todd Walatka at twalatka@nd.edu
You will be notified by e-mail whether your paper has been accepted by September 14, 2019.