



## From the Desk of Fr. Mark Bosco, S.J.

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

In "The Wreck of the Deutschland" the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins memorializes five Franciscan nuns who drowned on a ship while crossing the English Channel. In the final stanza of the poem, the Mother Superior, praying to Our Lady for herself, her sisters and her fellow passengers, cries out: "Let him easter in us, be a dayspring to the dimness of us, be a crimson-cressed east." I have always liked Hopkins' poetic provocation, for in it, Easter becomes a verb and an act of the present tense, not simply the name of something that once happened in the past. How, we might ask, do we "easter" in a world that seems so un-eastered, if you will? What are the resources that come from the Catholic intellectual heritage and the performance of faith that breaks open new ways to bring "dayspring to the dimness" of our present situation? This April the Hank Center turns its attention to the work of eastering in the ordinary.

On April 8, we are excited to bring Mark Kennedy Shriver to the Water Tower Campus to lead another discussion in our spring colloquium series, *Catholic Thought and the Professional Life*. This series seeks to connect faculty from the diverse professional schools at Loyola University and engage them in an

interdisciplinary conversation about enlivening the mission-centered focus of our schools. Mr. Shriver's lecture, "A Contemplative in Action: Is It Really Possible?" will draw upon his relationship with his father, Sargent Shriver, and the example he provides of a real-life contemplative in action. Responding to Mr. Shriver's lecture will be a panel of faculty drawn from all of Loyola's professional schools. Please join us for this public event.

On April 16, the final *Catholic Q & A* of the semester continues our exploration of the relationship between Catholic social teaching and political action. Loyola's president, Father Michael Garanzini, S.J., will lead a discussion entitled "Why is a social justice agenda dangerous and risky for higher education?"

And finally, please join me in congratulating Dr. Adriaan Peperzak, the Arthur J. Schmitt Professor of Philosophy, as we honor him for his lifelong service to the Catholic intellectual life of Loyola University. We fete him on April 17.

Happy Easter  
Mark Bosco, S.J.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

Conference on the Poet  
Denise Levertov  
**October 2015**  
Loyola University Chicago



We welcome proposals for twenty minute presentations on any aspect of Levertov's work. Send 250-500 word proposals to Dr. Melissa Bradshaw at [mbradshaw@luc.edu](mailto:mbradshaw@luc.edu) by April 15, 2015.

**Chicago Catholic Immigrants Conference: The Poles**

November 13-14, 2015  
Loyola University Chicago



The Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage (CCH) in collaboration with the Interdisciplinary Polish Studies Program will host the third conference in a series of conferences that focus on the historical, cultural, and religious roles that Roman Catholicism played in sustaining ethnic identity for many immigrant communities of people who came to Chicago in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The 2015 Chicago Catholic Immigrants Conference (CCIC) will focus on the Polish immigrant community here in Chicago. We would like to invite scholars from the fields of ethnic studies, urban and cultural history, literature and language, theology, and sociology of religion. This conference will also highlight the Polish heritage and traditions with the participation of Chicago artists, students, and Catholic religious leaders.

Please submit your papers to **Bozena Nowicka McLees** Director of the Interdisciplinary Polish Studies Program, at [bmclees@luc.edu](mailto:bmclees@luc.edu). If you have any questions please call 773-508-2864.

**Catholic Thought and the Professional Life Series**

**A Contemplative in Action: Is It Really Possible?**

A panel discussion with guest speaker **Mr. Mark Kennedy Shriver**

Wednesday, April 8  
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**Regent's Hall, Lewis Towers  
Water Tower Campus**  
Loyola University Chicago  
820 N. Michigan Ave  
Chicago, IL 6066



The Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage will host a panel discussion on Loyola's Water Tower Campus as part of its *Catholic Thought and the Professional Life Series*. This series, which takes place each spring semester, seeks to connect faculty from across Loyola's Professional Schools in conversation about the role of Catholicism in their disciplines today. This year's panel - *A Contemplative in Action: Is It Really Possible?*- will feature guest speaker Mr. Mark Kennedy Shriver. Mr. Shriver's recent book, *A Good Man: Rediscovering My Father, Sargent Shriver* (St. Martin's Griffin, 2012), looks back at the life of his father, Sargent Shriver, and the example he provides of a real-life contemplative in action. Not only did Sargent Shriver count among his professional accomplishments the founding of the Peace Corps and the invaluable contributions he made to President Johnson's War on Poverty, but his personal accomplishments of living a public life of faith, hope, and love - even while he struggled with Alzheimer's - speak to the question of what it means to be both a contemplative person - and a good person - in the world today.

In conversation with Mr. Shriver, six members of Loyola's faculty will participate in our panel discussion: Stacy Platt (School of Law); Cliff Schultz (Quinlan School of Business); Ann Marie Ryan (School of Education); Elizabeth Coffman (School of Communication); Dean Darrell Wheeler (School of Social Work); and Marian Diaz (Institute of Pastoral Studies).

**Event is free and open to the public**

**Catholic Q&A with Fr. Garanzini, SJ**

Thursday, April 16  
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

**The Damen Den**  
Loyola University Chicago  
1032 W. Sheridan Rd.  
Chicago, IL 60660



The final installment of this semester's three *Catholic Q&A* events takes place on Thursday, April 16th in the Damen Den (from 7-8:30 P.M.). The theme this semester has been the exploration of the connections between Catholic Social Thought and Political Action--and students have engaged in two stimulating conversations exploring this dynamic relationship thus far. Our final Q&A features Fr. Michael Garanzini, S.J., President of Loyola University Chicago. Fr. Garanzini will ask the question: *Why is a Social Justice Agenda Dangerous and Risky for Higher Education?* Since this question is so rich, textured, and central to Loyola's mission, this particular *Catholic Q&A* will have a special format. Fr. Garanzini will deliver his remarks and then a panel of three students--and a student moderator--will respond. The question will then be open to the floor for all to engage.

**Catholic Q&A is students only. Light refreshment will be served.**

**The Living Tradition Award**

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Every year the Hank Center presents the Living Tradition Award to a Loyola University Chicago faculty member who exemplified the integration of Catholic thought into their work, research, and teaching.

The 2015 Living Tradition Award Honors **Adriaan Peperzak, Ph.D.**  
Professor of Philosophy, LUC  
Arthur J. Schmitt Professor



Twenty-four years ago, a remarkable gentleman, Dr. Adriaan Peperzak, joined the faculty of Loyola University Chicago as the Arthur J. Schmitt Professor of Philosophy. Over that span of two and a half decades, his presence has been of enormous benefit to his colleagues and students.

Professor Peperzak arrived at Loyola University Chicago via a somewhat circuitous route. Born in Indonesia, and educated as a child in the Netherlands, Professor Peperzak survived the Nazi occupation of the Netherlands through World War II. Post-war, he followed his passion to become a Franciscan priest, and pursued his university studies as well, culminating in his doctoral degree.

He became immersed in the philosophical dialogue in Europe, particularly that of God, faith and philosophy. His energy and talent were recognized, and he traveled widely throughout Europe, studying, speaking, and writing philosophy.

Eventually, Professor Peperzak chose to leave the Franciscans, and after some while made his way to the United States and his position here at Loyola.

Professor Peperzak's scholarship is breath-taking in its quantity, its quality, and its audacity. In Professor Peperzak's judgment, philosophy cannot really be separated from one's convictions, especially one's convictions of faith. In that regard, if I must point to one piece of scholarship, it would be his masterful work, *Philosophy Between Faith and Theology*, University of Notre Dame Press, 2005. But please understand that to pick out only one such work from his corpus is necessarily to do a grave injustice to the gift of his many other works-works of passion and philosophy.

Professor Peperzak's written works are, of course, widely available. But what we can treasure here at Loyola University Chicago is what his personal presence on campus has brought to our University. His role in formation of a generation of doctoral students has been enormous. He has graduated PhD's not only of academic accomplishment, but of true character and commitment. And his presence as a colleague in the Philosophy Department and as a member of the University community, have been of immense value and benefit.

It is only proper, then, that we recognize Professor Peperzak for his extraordinary career and his powerful presence in our Loyola community of faith and philosophy.

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## About the Center

The Joan and Bill Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage exists to help faculty and students recognize and research Roman Catholic thought and its link to all academic disciplines in the university. It also seeks to convey that thought to other audiences inside and outside Loyola University Chicago.

