



St Patrick's  
Pontifical University

# RESEARCH SEMINAR PROGRAMME - SPRING 2025

Wednesdays 1:50–2:50pm in the Sacred Scripture Room, unless otherwise noted

**5th February: Daniel Canning**, "A Knight Errant and his Quest for Peace: David Urquhart, Just War, and the Restoration of Canon Law"

**19th February: Sandra Huebenthal (Passau)**,  
"Homo Oeconomicus: An Unlikely Reader of the Parables"

**TUESDAY 4th March, 7.30pm, Renehan Hall: Christopher Bellitto (Union, New Jersey)**,  
"Humility versus Clericalism: Juan de Avila (1499-1569) and Pope Francis on Spiritual Formation and Reform" (ITQ Lecture)

**5th March: Christopher Bellitto**, "Moving from Book or Article Idea to Publication"

**12th March: Geertjan Zuijdwegt (KU Leuven)**, "'Man-Eating Weed of Mercy': Nature, Grace, and the Prison"

**TUESDAY 25th March, 7.30pm, Renehan Hall: Dale C. Allison Jr. (Princeton Theological Seminary)**,  
"From Jesus to the Gospel of John: The Evolution of Eschatology" (Corish Lecture)

**2nd April: Carmen Yebra (Salamanca)**, "The difference image and art can make in biblical interpretation: the example of the Book of Judith"

**THURSDAY 3rd April (all day):** Salamanca-Maynooth Doctoral Scripture Seminar

**16th April: Aoife McGrath and Padraig Corkery, Academic Skills Seminar:** "How best to navigate your relationship with your supervisor to arrive at your academic goals?"

**30th April: Antoine Bernhard**, "Can Science Prove God's Existence? A Philosophical Perspective"

**THURSDAY 1st May, 6pm:** Annual Christian Philosophy lecture Emmanuel Falque

**FRIDAY 2nd & SATURDAY 3rd May, 10am-6pm:** Symposium: "Apocalyptic and Eschatological Spaces: Thinking between Philosophy and Theology" (SPPU Joint Initiative with the Institut Catholique Toulouse, and the Relational Ontology Research Network).

**7th May: Final Research Seminar of Year (2.30-6.00pm): Hunter Olson**, "The Early Martin Heidegger and Ens Intentionale in Latin Scholasticism." **Dominik Domagala**, "Persistence in the Face of Opposition in the Maccabean Period. Latent Presence of God in the Culture."

**Peter Nwigwe**, "Dignitas Infinita and the Catholic Church's Position on Euthanasia: Navigating the Assisted Dying Debate in Ireland and the United Kingdom."

**Damien Afuti**, "Sponsorship: Contemporary Theological and Pastoral Liturgical Praxis of the Ministry of Godparents in Christian Initiation with Reference to the OCIA and OBC."

**Lok Tin (Cyril) Cheung**, "A Trinitarian Reading of Sacrosanctum Concilium 5-6."

**Eugene Egbe**, "Re-imagining the Significance of Liturgical Space: the Contributions of Gordon Lathrop."  
**Michael Ifiora**, "The Sacramentality of the Word of God in the Liturgical Theology of Marco Benini."