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TITLE: Sacramental Theology II

TERM: January – April 2018 [20181]

SCHEDULE: Classes begin January 8, 2018; SAS timetable is available on SAS Website:

www.staugustines.on.ca for day, time and room location.

PROFESSOR: Rev. Joseph Alozie, CCE

REGISTRATION: LIMITED TO 20 UNLIMITED _____

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

The Sacraments are “of the Church” in the double sense that they are “by her” and “for her”. They are “by the Church”, for she is the sacrament of Christ’s action at work in her through the mission of the Holy Spirit. They are “for the Church” in the sense that “the sacraments make the Church”, since they manifest and communicate to humanity, above all in the Eucharist, the mystery of communion with God who is love, One in three persons (CCC 1118). This course explores how the Eternal life communicated in and through the Godman, Jesus Christ, is made manifest in a unique manner in sacramental signs and symbols. Being the second half of two courses offered in Sacramental Theology, its main focus is on the two sacraments of healing (Reconciliation and Anointing of the sick) and the two sacraments at the service of communion and mission (Holy Orders and Marriage). In each of these sacraments, the biblical foundation, theological and historical development, and systematic principles and presentation will be discussed.

CLASS OBJECTIVES:

Students should: Understand how the actualization of the mystery of eternal life brought to humanity by the only Savior of the world, Jesus Christ, is visualized through the sacramental signs and symbols used in these sacraments. They should gain a deeper theological knowledge of the liturgical practices of the Church in relation to these sacraments as religious expression of experienced faith.

PREREQUISITES:

Foundations of Theology, The Christian God/Mystery of the Trinity, Theological Anthropology I – Creation, Christology, Theological Anthropology II – Grace, Sacramental Theology II

REQUIRED TEXTS:

H. Vorgrimler, *Sacramental Theology*, translated by Linda M. Maloney (Collegeville: The Liturgical Press, 1992).

Recommended Text(s):

J. Martos, *Doors to the Sacred* (Tarrytown, NY: Liguori/Triumph Books, 2001).

M. G. Lawler, *A Contemporary Sacramental Theology* (Omaha, Nebraska: Creighton University Press, 1995).

M. Schmaus, *The Church as Sacrament*, vol. 5 (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 1975).

POSSIBLE ASSIGNMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/TESTS:

- Three Reflection Papers (5-7 pages) that will be evaluated based on their theological-systematic and pastoral contents as well as attentiveness to scientific requirements and to the question. Each paper is worth 20%. Therefore, 3 x 20% = 60%. The papers will be due in class on the following dates:
- Reconciliation February 9, 2018
- Marriage March 16, 2018
- Holy Orders April 6, 2018
- Oral Exam: 40%

ABRIDGED BIBLIOGRAPHY:

Andrew J. Cuschieri, Anointing of the Sick: A Theological and Canonical Study, (Lanham: University Press of America, 1993).

Bernhard Poschmann, Penance and the Anointing of the Sick, (New York: Herder & Herder, 1964).

David Coffey, The Sacrament of Reconciliation, (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2001).

Francis Mannion, "Penance and Reconciliation: A Systemic Analysis," *Worship* 60 (1986) 98-118.

Karl Rahner, "Penance in the Early Church," in Theological Investigations, vol. 15 trans. Lionel Swain (New York: Crossroad, 1982).

Karl Rahner, "Women and the Priesthood," in Concern for the Church, (New York: Crossroad, 1981) 35-74.

Kenan B. Osborne, Reconciliation and Justification: The Sacrament and Its Theology, (New York: Paulist Press, 1990).

Kenan Osborne, Priesthood: A History of Ordained Ministry in the Roman Catholic Church, (New York: Paulist Press, 1988).

Kenan Osborne, The Permanent Diaconate: Its History and Place in the Sacrament of Orders, (New York: Paulist Press, 2007).

Michael G. Lawler, Marriage and Sacrament: A Theology of Christian Marriage, (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 1993).

Michael G. Lawler, Marriage and the Catholic Church: Disputed Questions, (Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2002).

Peter Biller & A.J. Minnis, ed., Handling Sin: Confession in the Middle Ages, (Woodbridge, Suffolk: York Medieval Press, 1998).