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**TITLE:** Johannine Literature

**TERM:** January to April 2019 [20191]

**PROFESSOR:** Fr. Walter Werbylo

**REGISTRATION:** LIMITED TO 20

UNLIMITED \_\_\_\_\_

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Introduction to the gospel and letters of John concerning authorship, unity, historicity and the situation of the Johannine church. Exploration of basic themes in this tradition and what they reveal about the life of Jesus and believing in him. Exegesis of selected passages from the Gospel and 1 John. Lectures, discussions, midterm exam, paper, final exam. Prerequisite: An Introduction to New Testament course.

**CLASS OBJECTIVES:** 1) To understand various passages selected by the instructor from the gospel of John and from the First Letter of John. 2) To understand the structure and the themes which characterize the gospel of John and of the First Letter of John. 3) To know the manner in which the deeds and words of Jesus came to be proclaimed in the gospel of John. 4) To have an in depth knowledge of one passage selected by the student from the gospel of John.

**PREREQUISITES:** An Introduction to New Testament course

**REQUIRED TEXTS:** 350 pages assigned: Feuillet, A., *Johannine Studies*; id., "Redemptive Incarnation in the Johannine Writings;" id., "Structure of First John;" id., *Jesus and His Mother*; id., *Priesthood of Christ and His Ministers*; la Potterie, I. de, "'Sin Is Iniquity' (1 Jn 3,4);" id., "Genesis of Easter Faith [Jn 20];" id., "Use of Verb 'Abide' in Johannine Mysticism;" Benedict XVI, Pope, "Principal Johannine Images" and pages on historical reliability of John, in id., *Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration*; Werbylo, W., *Integrating Patristic and Modern Exegesis of Scripture: Theory and an Application to John 7:37-39*; Morris, L., *Gosp. Accord. to John*; Jaubert, A., "Account of the Passion," in id., *Approches de l'Évangile de Jean*; Carson, D. A., *Gospel Accord. to John*; Blomberg, C., *Historical Reliability of John's Gospel*.

**POSSIBLE ASSIGNMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/TESTS:**

- One midterm test (written; short answer questions; 1st half of Feb. 12 class period)
- Research paper (9 to 11 pages; due Mar. 12)
- Final exam (written; short answer questions; Apr. 9)

**ABRIDGED BIBLIOGRAPHY:**