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TITLE: Advanced Homiletics

TERM: January – April 2019

SCHEDULE: Classes begin the week of September 11, 2018; SAS timetable available on SAS Website: www.staugustines.on.ca for day, time and room location.

PROFESSOR: Dr. Peter Lovrick

REGISTRATION: LIMITED TO _____

UNLIMITED _____

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Advanced Homiletics is a one-semester course that follows *Introduction to Homiletics*. This course gives students an opportunity to develop a theology of preaching based on the discussions and the survey of the tradition of Catholic preaching in *Introduction to Homiletics* through opportunities to preach in this course. Students will employ those characteristics of outstanding preaching as determined in *Introduction to Homiletics*. This course also gives students an opportunity to develop critical peer and self-assessment skills.

CLASS OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this course the student will have reliably demonstrated the ability to do the following:

1. identify what the Church wants from its preachers
2. articulate a theology of preaching
3. explain and employ methods for preparing to preach
4. identify a variety of homiletic resources
5. apply different strategies for developing a homily
6. employ the assessment of specific congregations in preaching preparation and development
7. describe alternative models of preaching
8. articulate and employ effective methods of delivery
9. preach in different contexts
10. assess strengths, provide constructive feedback, determine goals and point out areas for improvement in their own preaching and in the preaching of others
11. identify approaches for solving particular homiletic problems
12. develop an individual preaching plan

PREREQUISITES:

Introduction to Homiletics

REQUIRED TEXTS:

DeBona, Gueric, OSB. *Preaching Effectively, Revitalizing Your Church: The Seven-Step Ladder Toward Successful Homilies*, NJ: Paulist Press, 2009.

POSSIBLE ASSIGNMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/TESTS:

Two in-class preaching assignments

Two preaching documents

Two self-assessments

A Theology of Preaching and Personal Preaching Plan paper

Discussion board postings

ABRIDGED BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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