

THE CATHOLIC BIBLICAL ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA



July 31 – 30, 2020
ON-LINE MEETING

PROGRAM

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Catholic Biblical Association *of America*

May 6, 2020

Dear CBA Member:

Given the conditions surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic (including the uncertainty of the course of the pandemic itself, the likely need during the summer to limit mass gatherings and keep social distance, the restrictions by academic institutions on supported summer faculty travel, etc.) the Executive Board reviewed what were the best options concerning holding our regular Annual Meeting, which was to be in DC this summer. After wide consultation, it was decided that the wisest course of action was to postpone the 2020 meeting. Five steps were approved that will help with continuity:

1.) Most elements of this year's meeting will simply be featured in our 2021 Annual General Meeting which will be at the same venue, The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC.

2.) The Executive Board encourages all Task Forces and the Continuing Seminars to meet this year during the regular time of our meeting (August 1-4, 2020) via Zoom or other software which CBA will help with when necessary. Further details will be emailed to the chairs of the groups in the near future.

3.) The Executive Board encourages the Program Committee to carry forward the Research Reports to next year's meeting in the hope that people will be willing to share what further research they had done.

4.) The terms of all office-holders in CBA will be extended by one year for all who are able to continue. The work of the Nominations Committee will be held over for the next elections in 2021. Those unable to continue in office are to notify the Executive Director (atkinson@cua.edu).

5.) The Board, when it meets electronically on August 1, will assume the responsibility, normally vested in the Annual General Meeting, for election of New Members.

With all these extraordinary procedures in place, we hope to safeguard the smooth operations of CBA during this time of uncertainty. Let us pray for a quick end to this virus and for the health of all our members.

The Executive Committee on behalf of the Executive Board,

Harry Attridge (Chair)

Gina Hens-Piazza (President)

Joseph C Atkinson (Executive Director)

CONTINUING SEMINARS

- **DIVINITY IN ANCIENT ISRAEL**

Co-conveners:

Andrew Davis, *Boston College School of Ministry & Theology*

Mahri Leonard-Fleckman, *College of the Holy Cross*

Garrett Galvin, O.F.M., *Franciscan School of Theology*

- **SUNDAY, August 2** **4:00 pm - 5:00 pm EDT**
Online Social for Continuing Seminar Participants
- **MONDAY, August 3** **12:00 pm -2:00 pm EDT**
Discussion of **Markl, Dominik**. (2020) "The Babylonian Exile as the Birth Trauma of Monotheism." *Biblica*, 101(1), 1-25.
Respondent: **John J. Collins**, *Yale Divinity School*

- **THE DEUTEROCANONICAL BOOKS**

Co-conveners:

Jeremy Corley, *St Patrick's College, Maynooth*

Vincent Skemp, *St. Catherine University*

- **MONDAY, August 3** **11:00 am - 1:00 pm EDT**
Karina Martin Hogan, *Fordham*: "Theodicy by Denial: The Problem of Death in the Wisdom of Solomon"
Kelley Coblenz Bautch, *St. Edward's University*: "An Enochic perspective on the origin of evil"
- **TUESDAY, August 4** **11:00 am - 1:00 pm EDT**
Mr. World Kim, *doctoral student, CUA*: "Follow Your Heart? A Re-examination of Sirach 37:13-15"
Jeremy Corley (Maynooth): "The Portrait of Elijah in Sirach 48"
- **WEDNESDAY, August 5** **11:00 am - 1:00 pm EDT**
Gary P. Klump, *doctoral student, Marquette*: "Now I Will Recall the Works of God: Allusion and Intertextuality in Sirach 42:15-43:33"
Respondents: **Jordan Schmidt, OP, DHS, DC**;
Jeremy Corley, *St Patrick's College, Maynooth*
Discussion

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CONTINUING SEMINARS *continued*

- **HEBREW POETRY: ISAIAH 50 - 53**

Co-conveners:

Joseph E. Jensen, *Georgetown University*

Pauline A. Viviano, *Loyola University, Chicago*

- **SUNDAY, August 2** **2:00 pm – 3:45 pm EDT**
Catherine Petrazy, *Saint Vincent College*: Isaiah 50:1-11
Sophia A. Magallanes-Tsang, *Fuller Theological Seminary*:
Isaiah 51:1-11
- **MONDAY, August 3** **2:00 pm – 3:45 pm EDT**
Thomas P. McCreesh, O.P., *Providence College*: Isaiah 51:12-23
Brian Shockey, *Asbury Theological Seminary*: Isaiah 52:1-12
- **TUESDAY, August 4** **1:30 pm – 3:55 pm EDT**
Pauline A. Viviano, *Loyola University Chicago*. and
Harry Hagan, O.S.B., *Saint Meinrad's*: Isaiah 52:13 – 53:12
Discussion of where we go from here.



TASK FORCES

- **ADDRESSING REPRESENTATIONS OF JEWS AND JUDAISM IN CATHOLIC EXEGESIS, HOMILETICS, AND CATECHESIS**

Convener:

Chris Seeman, *Walsb University*

- **SATURDAY, August 1** 10:00 am - 11:00 am EDT
Discussion of Amy-Jill Levine, *Sermon on the Mount: A Beginner's Guide to the Kingdom of Heaven*. Nashville, Abingdon, 2020.
- **SUNDAY, August 2** 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm EDT
Review of video scripts for Lectionary Cycle B
- **MONDAY, August 3** 10:00 am - 11:00 am EDT
Review of video scripts for Lectionary Cycle B
- **TUESDAY, August 4** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm EDT
Review of video scripts for Lectionary Cycle B

- **GOD IN PAUL'S LETTERS**

Co-conveners:

Timothy Milinovich, *Dominican University, IL*

Robert O'Toole, S.J., *Pontifical Biblical Institute/Saint Louis University*

- **SUNDAY, August 2** 11:00 am- 1:00 pm EDT
(break at 11:45-12pm)
Robert O'Toole, S.J., *Pontifical Biblical Institute/Saint Louis University*:
“Does Paul in His Genuine Letters Portray Jesus Christ as Divine?”
Respondent: **John Lodge**, *Mundelein Seminary/University of St. Mary of the Lake*
- **MONDAY, August 3** 11:00 am- 1:00 pm EDT
(break at 11:45-12pm)
Ferdinand Okorie, C.M.F., *Catholic Theological Union*: “God in Philemon”
Respondent: **Thomas Stegman, S.J.** *Boston College School of Theology & Ministry*
- **TUESDAY, August 4** 11:00 am – 12:00 pm EDT
Business meeting, plans for next year

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TASK FORCES *continued*

- **GOD IN THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS**

Co-conveners:

Brigid Curtin Frein, *University of Scranton*

Séamus O'Connell, *St Patrick's College, Maynooth*

- **MONDAY. August 3 12:00 pm – 1:45 pm EDT**

Mark Kiley, *St. John's University, NY*: The Feet of Jesus in Luke 7

- **HERMENEUTICS: A THEMATIC INVESTIGATION**

Co-conveners:

Michael Patella, O.S.B., *Saint John's University*

Antonio Portalatin, *The Catholic University of America*

- **MONDAY. August 3**

11:00 am – 3:00 pm EDT

11:00 12:00 pm

Andrea Spatafora, M.S.F., *Saint Paul University*: “Apocalypse as an example of non-propositional language and symbol.”

12:30-1:30 pm EDT

Response: **Jean-Pierre Ruiz**, *St. John's University, NY*

2:00-3:00 pm EDT

Planning for next year.



IN MEMORIAM



Please remember and pray for members who have died since CBA met at Walsh University last year.

Rev. Robert J. Bauer, S.D.B. (March 23, 2020)

Rev. Anthony F. Campbell, S.J. (August 2, 2020)

Rev. Robert Daniel Kendall, S.J. (May 26, 2020)

Rev. Philip J. King (December 6, 2019)

Rev. Dr. J. Ramsey Michaels (January 18, 2020)

Rev. Dr. Patrick D. Miller Jr. (May 1, 2020)

Rev. Dr. Douglas M. Parrott (August 17, 2019)

Rev. Stephen F. Pisano, S.J. (October 9, 2019)

Rev. Gerard S. Sloyan (February 22, 2020)



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