



**BEGGARS FOR HEAVEN:
THE INHERITANCE OF JACQUES AND
RAÏSSA MARITAIN**

MARGARET BEAUFORT INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY

13 MARCH 2024

~ CONFERENCE PROGRAMME ~

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Welcome to Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, and to *Beggars for Heaven: The Inheritance of Jacques and Raïssa Maritain*. We pray that this conference will be pervaded by the scholarly, friendly and convivial spirit of the Maritains, and that you will be stimulated and enriched. Whether you are here in person or online, please make yourself known to each other and to us.

08:30 - 09:00

Arrival and Registration

09:00 - 09:05

Introduction to Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology
Fr. Dominic White, O.P., Acting Director of Research.

09:05 - 09:15

Opening Comments
Dr Christopher Grey, Pearl Jubilee Research Fellow

09:20 - 10:50

Morning short papers (see details on next page)

10:50 - 11:10

Refreshments

11:15 - 12:15

Keynote address (see details on next page)

12:30 - 13:15

Mass. Celebrant: The Most Reverend Peter Collins, Bishop of East Anglia

13:15 - 14:10

Buffet lunch

14:15 - 15:45

Afternoon short papers (see details on next page)

15:45 - 16:05

Refreshments

16:10 - 17:10

Plenary address (see details on next page)

17:15 - 18:00

Drinks Reception

Post-conference dinner in local restaurant (Optional)

PAPERS AND SPEAKERS

09:20 - 10:50

Morning short Papers

1. John Hartley (Trinity Catholic High School).
'Connaturality and the Rosary: The Sense of Touch and the Leap Beyond Discursive Reason in Jacques Maritain.'
2. Fr. Dominic White (Acting Director of Research, Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology).
'Sedes Sapientiae: The Hospitality of Jacques and Raissa Maritain.'

11:15 - 12:15

Keynote Speaker:

John G. Trapani, Jr. (Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, Walsh University, Ohio. President of The American Maritain Association 2001, 2006 – 2012).
"Why I Love Jacques Maritain; And Why You Just Might Grow to Love Him Too."

14:15 - 15:45

Afternoon short Papers

1. John Rist (Professor of Classics Emeritus, University of Toronto, Chair of Philosophy, Catholic University of America).
'Notes on Maritain's Political Ideas.'
2. Readings and discussion on the artist, the liturgy, and love. Facilitated by Christopher Grey (London School of Theology / MBIT Jubilee Research Fellow).

16:10 - 17:10

Plenary speaker:

Sebastian Morello (Senior Editor and Columnist, The European Conservative).
'In Search of a Christian Social Order: T.S. Eliot as a Follower of Maritain.'

IN OTHER THINGS . . .

Please browse the displays from *Plough Quarterly Magazine* and from Catholic University of America Press. CUAP publishes 22 peer-reviewed and curated volumes by the American Maritain Association – an indispensable resource in Maritain studies and in Thomistic thought over a wide range of themes. The conference has secured a generous discount on all available titles. See separate order form, or go to: https://www.cuapress.org/search-results/?imprint=american-maritain-association&page_number=1&amount=25 and apply the discount code at checkout.

If you would like be informed of future developments in Maritain studies in the UK, please leave your contact details with the conference organiser, Dr Christopher Grey, or email him at christopher.grey1@outlook.com to join a mailing list.

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