

SPRING 2012 CLASSES CONTINUING EDUCATION



Classes begin the week of February 13!

Classes run for 10 weeks and are held at the Seminary's East Aurora campus unless otherwise noted. Registration rates are \$125 for one course or \$240 for two.

Main campus, evenings

CE-PS 03/MO 03: SPIRITUALITY FOR LIFE AND MINISTRY

The Christian life in today's world is challenging. It requires a balance and perspective found in the development of one's own spirituality. Spirituality includes relationships based in God's love for us, respect for self and others expressed in personal prayer as well as gospel mission and service and personal efforts toward a holistic, healthy lifestyle. This course will explore the various components of spirituality and methods of prayer which may be helpful to participants in their own spiritual journeys.

Instructor: Sr. Mary Ellen Twist, RSM,
Mondays, 6:30-9 p.m. (8 weeks beginning Feb. 13).

CE-HT 10: THE LEGACY OF THE REFORMATION

The course will feature an in-depth history of the reformation and will focus on some of the traditions which emanated from it. Analysis of current thought on reform tradition and ecumenical activities will also be addressed. **Instructor: Dcn. Gary Andelora, MAT,**
Tuesdays, 7-9 p.m. (10 weeks beginning Feb. 14).

CE-SY 02: COMMUNITY CALLED CHURCH

Jesus gathered his disciples into a community. Since then, followers of the risen Lord Jesus are gathered in a community as well – a community called “Church.” By studying the Second Vatican Council's groundbreaking Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, this course examines various facets of the life of the Church. **Instructor: Dcn. Donald Weigel Jr., MAT. Wednesdays, 6:30-9 p.m. (8 weeks: Feb. 15, 29, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28, Apr. 4, 18).**
Available by distance learning option.

CE-SS 12: THE GOSPELS

The early Christians believed Jesus of Nazareth to be the messiah of Israel. It is the gospels – written in part to evangelize on behalf of the Christian movement and in part to instruct those who were already members of the movement in correct belief and behavior – which tell us about the things this messiah did and the teachings he proclaimed. In this course we will become familiar with the four canonical gospels, learn about Jesus, and survey aspects of Christian belief and behavior which they portray. **Instructor: Michael Sherry, Ph.D. (cand.), Thursdays, 7-9 p.m. (10 weeks beginning Feb. 16).** **Available by distance learning option.**

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 EITHER AT OUR
EAST AURORA CAMPUS
OR AT ONE OF OUR THREE
DISTANCE-LEARNING SITES.
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FOR DETAILS.

COMING SPRING 2012 *(continued)*

Main campus, days

CE-HT 09: RELIGION IN THE UNITED STATES

A history of religion in the United States, together with a consideration of the relationship of religion to American culture. A review of the major religious communities in the United States and the Catholic Church's teachings on ecumenism. **Instructor: Dennis Castillo, Ph.D., Mondays, 9-11:30 a.m. (8 weeks: Feb. 13, 27, Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26, Apr. 2, 16).**

CE-MO 12: CHRISTIAN ETHICS IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY

This Course introduces the basic concepts of an authentic moral life in light of the philosophical tradition and Christian vision. It examines some of the contemporary issues in ethical decision-making in the area of personal and social ethics. **Instructor: Rev. Paul Varuvel, S.T.D., Thursdays, 9-11:30 a.m. (8 weeks: Feb. 16, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Apr. 5, 19).**

Classes at satellite locations

CE-SS II: INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT: PENTATEUCH & MONARCHY

The Old and New Testaments of the Christian Bible are like two acts of a play. If one has not watched Act I, his/her understanding of Act II will be hampered. Within the narrative and teachings of the Hebrew Scriptures will be found the fundamental doctrines of biblical revelation that formed and informed Jesus of Nazareth and the Christian Church. In this course we will view Act I, Scene 1 of the Bible, the story of the burgeoning relationship between God, the world and especially His chosen people, Israel. In addition to a historical and literary introduction to the Hebrew Scriptures, we will give special attention to the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Bible. **Instructor: Ms. Debra Brown, MAPM Thursdays, 6:30-9p.m. (8 weeks beginning Feb. 16), Ascension Parish, Batavia.**

CE-SS 01: GOSPEL OF JOHN

For almost 20 centuries the "spiritual gospel" of St. John has stirred the mind, heart and imagination of readers, calling them to make, once and for all, life's most important choice and then nurturing them to greater heights in their spiritual journey. The product of profound theological reflection grounded in actual historical events, this gospel brings out more fully the spiritual realities and significance of the life, teachings, and saving work of Jesus than do the other three gospels. **Instructor: Rev. Michael Chapman, MAPM. Sundays, 2-4 p.m. (10 weeks beginning Feb. 12), St. John Baptist Church, 184 Goodell St., Buffalo**

