

SUNDAY THEOLOGY TALKS 2023-24

DATE	SERIES	SPEAKER	TITLE
September 10	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE HOLY SPIRIT A PERSON?”
September 17	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE HOLY SPIRIT REALLY GOD?”
September 24	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO?”
October 1	GUEST SPEAKER	The Very Rev. Michael Tavinor <i>Former Dean of Hereford Cathedral</i>	“SHRINES OF THE SAINTS IN ENGLAND AND WALES”
October 8	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (1)	Dr. Sean Larsen <i>Lecturer of Theology at Marquette University and Managing Editor of Syndicate</i>	“THEOLOGIES OF ENGAGEMENT”
October 15	INAUGURATION OF THE BICENTENNIAL		NO CLASS
October 22	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHAT IS GRACE?”
October 29	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (2)	The Rev. Dr. Ayla Lepine <i>Associate Rector of St James's Piccadilly in London (UK)</i>	“WOMEN ARTISTS AND CHRISTIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE”
November 5	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHAT IS FAITH?”
November 12	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHAT IS CHARITY?”
November 19	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (3)	Dr. Jessica Scott <i>Lecturer of Christian theology at the University of Nottingham (UK)</i>	“PLACE, IMAGINATION, AND HOPE: A THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION ON THE PAINTINGS OF STANLEY SPENCER (1891-1959)”
November 26	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (4)	Dr. Travis LaCouter <i>Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium)</i>	"DISSENTING CHURCH: WITNESS AS PROTEST"
December 3	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHAT IS HOPE?”
December 10	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“DO CHRISTIANS HAVE TO BECOME HOLY?”
December 17	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (5)	Dr. Nicholas Hayes-Mota <i>Assistant Director of Boston College's Clough Center for the Study of Constitutional Democracy</i>	“THE CHURCH AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZING: A HISTORY OF MUTUAL ENTANGLEMENT”

December 24	CHRISTMAS		NO CLASS – CHRISTMAS BREAK
December 31	NYE		NO CLASS – CHRISTMAS BREAK
January 7	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (1)	Prof. Jon Butler <i>Howard R Lamar Emeritus Professor of American Studies, History & Religious Studies, Yale University</i>	“1905: THE BURNING OF ST. THOMAS AND THE CRISIS OF RELIGION IN MODERN MANHATTAN” <i>(Ahead of Jan 9: Commemoration of The Articles of Incorporation)</i>
January 14	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“HOW DO WE KNOW IF WE ARE SAVED?”
January 21	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHY IS BLOOD SO IMPORTANT IN SCRIPTURE?”
January 28	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“DID JESUS DIE TO EXPIATE OUR SINS?”
February 4	SPRING & BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (2)	Prof. Jon Meacham <i>Distinguished Visiting Professor at Vanderbilt University and a Fellow of the Society of American Historians. Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer</i>	“TO KEEP THE FEAST: ST. THOMAS CHURCH IN WAR AND PEACE”
February 11	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (3)	The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin <i>Union Theological Seminary (NYC) and Assisting Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island</i>	“BISHOP JOHN HENRY HOBART (1775-1830) AND THE FOUNDING OF ST. THOMAS CHURCH”
February 18	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (4)	The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin <i>Union Theological Seminary (NYC) and Assisting Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island</i>	“RALPH ADAMS CRAM (1863-1942) AND THE ARCHITECTURE OF ST. THOMAS CHURCH”
February 25	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (5)	The Rt. Rev. R. William Franklin <i>Union Theological Seminary (NYC) and Assisting Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island</i>	“JOHN ANDREW (1931-2014) AND GERRE HANCOCK (1934-2012): THE HISTORIC PARTNERSHIP OF A RECTOR AND AN ORGANIST AND CHOIRMASTER”
March 3	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“CAN JESUS’S DEATH ON THE CROSS BE CALLED A ‘SACRIFICE’?”
March 10	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (6)	Dr. Inge Reist <i>Director Emerita of the Center for the History of Collecting, The Frick Collection and Frick Art Reference Library</i>	“THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE HISTORY OF SAINT THOMAS”

March 17	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHY DID JESUS DIE ON A CROSS?”
March 24	PALM SUNDAY		NO CLASS – EASTER BREAK
March 31	EASTER		NO CLASS – EASTER BREAK
April 7	BICENTENNIAL HISTORICAL LECTURES (7)	Prof. Francis Blouin <i>Professor Emeritus the University of Michigan and Archivist of Saint Thomas Church</i>	“THE RECTOR ERNEST M. STIRES (1901-1925) AND THE SOCIAL GOSPEL”
April 14	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (6)	Dr. Travis LaCouter <i>Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium)</i>	“SOMETHING ELSE IS NECESSARY”: DOROTHY DAY’S (1897-1980) RADICAL SOCIAL-SPIRITUAL VISION”
April 21	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“CAN THE GOSPELS’ ACCOUNTS OF THE RESURRECTION BE TRUSTED?”
April 28	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“DO CHRISTIANS HAVE TO BELIEVE IN THE RESURRECTION?”
May 5	ARCHBISHOP OF YORK		NO CLASS
May 7-9		<p>The Most Rev. Michael Curry <i>Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church</i></p> <p>The Most Rev. and the Rt Hon. Stephen Cottrell <i>Archbishop of York (UK)</i></p> <p>Prof. Sarah Azaransky <i>Union Theological Seminary (NYC)</i></p> <p>Prof. Luke Bretherton <i>Robert E. Cushman Distinguished Research Professor of Moral & Political Theology, Duke University</i></p> <p>Fr. Angus Ritchie <i>Founding Director of the Ecumenical Centre for Theology and Community (London, UK)</i></p> <p>Prof. Melissa Snarr <i>E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Chair of Ethics and Society, Vanderbilt University</i></p>	<p>SYMPOSIUM FOR THE BICENTENNIAL</p> <p>“LOCAL CHURCHES AND CIVIL SOCIETY: MODELS OF ENGAGEMENT”</p>
May 12	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“WHERE IS THE RISEN CHRIST?”

May 19	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“ARE THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ACTIVE IN THE CHURCH TODAY?”
May 26	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE CHURCH THE PEOPLE OF GOD?”
June 2	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE CHURCH THE BODY OF CHRIST?”
June 9	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE CHURCH THE TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?”
June 16	CHURCH, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND CIVIL SOCIETY LECTURES (7)	Dr. Ruth Jackson Ravenscroft <i>Tutor and Bye-Fellow at Sidney Sussex College, University of Cambridge (UK)</i>	“SOCIAL JUSTICE, CIVIL SOCIETY, AND SIMONE WEIL (1909-1943)”
June 23	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THE CHURCH THE SAME THING AS THE KINGDOM OF GOD?”
June 30	SHARP FAITH	The Rev. Dr. Luigi Gioia	“IS THERE ONLY ONE CHURCH?”