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Applied Theology

CL 203—The Orthodox Canonical Tradition (Rentel)

Required Textbooks

Textbook information is currently unavailable for this course. Please contact the instructor directly.

Reserve Reading

None

ET 305—Christian Morality and Bioethics (Vest)

Required Textbooks (contact instructor before purchasing textbooks)

Breck, John and Lyn. *Stages on Life's Way*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2005. 978-0-88141-299-4. **(\$23)**

Englehardt, H. Tristram, Jr. *The Foundations of Christian Bioethics*. Lisse: Swets and Zeitlinger, 2000. 978-9026515576. **(\$49.95)**

Larchet, Jean-Claude. *Theology of the Body*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2016. 978-0-88141-560-5. **(\$16)**

Reserve Reading

None

HO 205—Advanced Topics in Homiletics: Challenging Contexts and Special Occasions (Halvorsen)

Required Textbooks

Liturgical texts for the Orthodox Christian services of Baptism, Theophany, Marriage, Bridegroom Matins, Funeral, and Holy Friday. **(Available online and in multiple printed formats)**

Kubler-Ross, Elizabeth. *On Grief and Grieving: Finding the Meaning of Grief Through the Five Stages of Loss*. 978-0743266291. **(\$12)**

Meyendorff, John. *Marriage: An Orthodox Perspective*. 978-0913836057. **(\$18 before student discount)**

Schmemmann, Alexander. *Of Water and the Spirit*. 978-0913836101. **(\$20 before student discount)**

Reserve Reading

Buttrick, David G. *Homiletic: Moves and Structures*. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1987. **(BV4211.2.B86 1987)**

Calciu, George. *Interviews, Homilies and Talks*. Introduction by Frederica Matthews-Green. Platina, CA: St Herman of Alaska Brotherhood, 2015. **(BX597.C35 C35 2010)**

Chrysostom, St. John. *Baptismal Instructions*. Translated and annotated by Paul W. Harkins. *Ancient Christian Writers*, edited by Johannes Quasten & Walter J. Burghardt, S.J. Volume 31. New York: Paulist Press, 1963. **(BR60.A35 V.31)**

Huckleberry, Lee, and Dwight A. Moody, eds. *A Beautiful Thing: Sermons from the Inaugural Festival of Young Preachers*. St Louis: Chalice Press, 2010. **(BV4241.B43 2010)**

- Kubler-Ross, Elisabeth. *On Death and Dying*. New York, NY: Scribner, 1997. (BF789.D4 K8)
- Long, Thomas G. *Preaching from Memory to Hope*. Louisville, KY: Westminster/John Knox Press, 2009. (BV4211.3.L65 2009)
- Long, Thomas G. *The Witness of Preaching*, second edition. Louisville, KY: Westminster/John Knox Press, 2005. (BV4211.3.L66 2005)
- Roeber, Anthony. *Mixed Marriages: An Orthodox History*. Yonkers, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2018. (BX378.M2R643 2018)

PT 208—Issues in Pastoral Ministry: Parish Administration (Tosi)

Required Textbooks

- Danilchick, Peter. *Thy Will Be Done: Strategic Leadership, Planning, and Management for Christians*. 978-0881415483. (**\$28 before student discount**)
- Geleris, Andrew. *Money and Salvation: An Invitation to the Good Way*. 978-0881416909. (**\$22 before student discount**)
- Hopko, Thomas. "The Orthodox Parish in North America," in *Speaking the Truth in Love*. 978-0881412635. (**\$20 before student discount**)
- Huneycutt, Joseph David. *One Flew Over The Onion Dome: American Orthodox Converts, Reverts & Retreads*. 978-0881416152. (**\$22 before student discount**)
- Hyatt, Michael. *No-Fail Meetings: 5 Steps to Orchestrate Productive Meetings (and Avoid all the Rest)*. Franklin, TN: Michael Hyatt & Company, 2018. 978-1732189638. (**\$30**)

Reserve Reading

- Holet, Robert. *The First and Finest: Orthodox Christian Stewardship as Sacred Offering*. Bloomington, IN: AuthorHouse, 2013. (BV772.H65 2013)
- Rediger, G. Lloyd. *Clergy Killers: Guidance for Pastors and Congregations Under Attack*. Louisville, KY: Westminster / John Knox Press, 1997. (BV4398.R4 1997)

Biblical Studies

NT 102—New Testament Introduction (Barnet)

Required Textbooks

- The Bible. [The instructor will be citing the Revised Standard Version (RSV); any choice of translation is fine.]
- Johnson, Luke Timothy. *The Writings of the New Testament: An Interpretation*, third edition. 978-0800663612. (**Any edition acceptable; \$59**)

Reserve Reading

- Hays, Richard B. *First Corinthians. Interpretation*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 1997. (BS2675.3.H38 1997)
- Hays, Richard B. *The Faith of Jesus: The Narrative Substructure of Galatians 3:1-4:11*. Second ed. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2002. (BS2685.2.H39 2002)

Historical Studies

CH 200—The Orthodox Churches in the Modern World (Tudorie)

Required Textbooks

- Meyendorff, John, *A Study of Gregory Palamas*. 978-0913836149. (**\$29 before student discount**)

Meyendorff, Paul, *Russia, Ritual, and Reform: The Liturgical Reforms of Nikon in the 17th Century*. 978-0881410907. **(\$32 before student discount)**

Papadakis, Aristeides (in collaboration with John Meyendorff). *The Christian East & the Rise of the Papacy: The Church AD 1071-1453*. 978-0881410570. **(\$34 before student discount)**

[Additional required texts will be provided as PDF excerpts]

Reserve Reading

Pelikan, Jaroslav and Valerie Hotchkiss, eds. *Creeds & Confessions of Faith in the Christian Tradition*, vol. I. New Haven / London: Yale University Press, 2003. **(BT990.C64 2003)**

CH 361—Orthodox Christianity in North America (Roeber)

Required Textbooks

Roeber, A.G. *Orthodox Christians and the Rights Revolution in America*. Fordham University Press, Dec 2023. 9781531505042 **(\$40 list; contact instructor for discount code)**

Smith, James K. A. *How (Not) to be Secular: Reading Charles Taylor*. 978-0802867612. **(\$17)**

Reserve Reading

Demoyan, Hayk A. *Armenian Legacy in America: A 400-Year Heritage*. **(E184.A7 D46 2018)**

Guirguis and van Doorn-Harder. *The Emergence of the Modern Coptic Papacy* **(BX 134.E3 D38 2004)**

Mathai, Basil Puthukkunnathu. "From Malankara to America: A Historical Analysis of the Formation of the Malankara Archdiocese of the Syrian Orthodox Church in North America." MDiv Thesis St Vladimir's Seminary, 2020. **(AC801.M384 2020)**

CH 420—Confessing the Orthodox Faith [15th-18th centuries] (Tudorie)

Required Textbooks

None

[Required readings will be provided as PDF excerpts by the professor]

Reserve Reading

Pelikan, Jaroslav and Valerie Hotchkiss, eds. *Creeds & Confessions of Faith in the Christian Tradition*, vol. I. New Haven / London: Yale University Press, 2003. **(BT990.C64 2003)**

PA 101—Introduction to Patristics (Bucur)

Required Textbooks

Drobner, Hubertus. *The Fathers of the Church: A Comprehensive Introduction*. 978-0801098185. **(\$37)**

St Irenaeus of Lyon, *On the Apostolic Preaching*. 978-0881411744. **(\$17)**

Origen, *On First Principles*. 978-0198845317. **(\$35)**

Skarsaune, Oskar. *In the Shadow of the Temple: Jewish Influences on Early Christianity*. 978 0830828449. **(\$26)**

Reserve Reading

None

PA 332—Ascetical Theologies: Evagrius and the Ps-Macarian Homilies (Bucur)

Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

PA 380—Introduction to the West Syriac Fathers (Daniel)

Required Textbooks

Brock, Sebastian. *St. Ephrem the Syrian: Hymns on Paradise*. Crestwood, New York: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1990. 978-1479196005. **(\$18)**

Brock, Sebastian. *The Syriac Fathers on Prayer and the Spiritual Life*. Cistercian Studies, Book 101. Kalamazoo, MI: Cisterican Publications, 1987. 978-0879079017. **(\$30)**

Jacob of Serug. *On The Mother of God*. New York: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1998. 978-0881411843. **(\$14)**

Alfeyev, Hilarion. *The Spiritual World of Isaac the Syrian*. Kalamazoo, MI: Cistercian Publications, 2000. 978-0879077754. **(\$24.53)**

Reserve Reading

Shemunkasho, Aho. *Healing in the Theology of Saint Ephrem*. Piscataway, NJ : Gorgias Press, 2004. [BT732.5.S533 2004 C.2]

Brock, Sebastian. *The Luminous Eye: The Spiritual World Vision of Saint Ephrem*. Kalamazoo, MI: Cistercian Publications, 1992. [BR65.E636 B76 1992 C.3]

Brock, Sebastian. *Spirituality in the Syriac Tradition*. Kerala, India: St. Ephrem Ecumenical Research Institute, 1989. [BT1440.H33 1989]

Beggiani, C.S. *Introduction to Eastern Christian Spirituality: The Syriac Tradition*. Cranbury, NJ: Associated University Presses, 1991. [BX106.2.B44 1991 C.2]

Samuel, V C. *The Council of Chalcedon Re-Examined*. Xlibris Corp, 2001. [BR225.S3 2001]

Mathews, Edward. *Jacob of Sarug's Homilies on the Six Days of Creation: The First Day*. Gorgias Press, 2009. [BS651.J33 2009]

Languages and Writing Instruction

BL 200—Reading Biblical Greek (Barnet)

Required Textbooks

Croy, N. Clayton. *A Primer of Biblical Greek*. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 1999. 978-0802867339. **(\$35.99)**

Reserve Reading

Louw, Johannes P., and Eugene A. Nida. *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament Based on Semantic Domains*. 2 vols. New York: United Bible Societies, 1988. (PA 881 G68 1988 v.1 and v.2)

Porter, Stanley E. *Idioms of the Greek New Testament*, second edition. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press, 1994. (PA 851 P678 1995)

Windham, Neal. *New Testament Greek for Preachers and Teachers: Five Areas of Application*. Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 1991. (PA 817 W55 1991)

Wuest, Kenneth Samuel. *The Practical Use of the Greek New Testament*, revised edition. Chicago: Moody Press, 1982. (PA 805 W83 1982)

BL 301—Introduction to Biblical Hebrew (Legaspi)

Required Textbooks

Kutz, Karl V. and Rebekah L. Josberger. *Learning Biblical Hebrew: Reading for Comprehension: An Introductory Grammar*. 978-1683590842 **(\$28, Amazon)**

Kutz, Karl V. and Rebekah L. Josberger. *Learning Biblical Hebrew Workbook: A Graded Reader*. 978-1683592440 **(\$20, Amazon)**

Reserve Reading

None

Liturgy

LI 101—Daily and Annual Cycles of the Orthodox Christian Worship (Permiakov)Required Textbooks

The Daily Office. Book One: Including the Necessary Service Texts for both Priests and Deacons for Daily Vespers, Little Compline, and Daily Matins during the period of the Octoechos and Pentecost. (Online at <http://www.lulu.com/content/paperback-book/daily-office-book-1/7941448> for **\$6.12**)

Hieratikon: Office Book for Priest and Deacon. Volumes I-II. South Canaan, PA: St Tikhon's Seminary Press, 2014; 2017. 978-0990502920; 978-0997471878 (**\$70**)

Alfeyev, Hilarion. *Orthodox Christianity Volume IV: The Worship and Liturgical Life of the Orthodox Church.* Crestwood, NY: St Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2016. (**\$30**)

Reserve Reading

The Festal Menaion. London: Faber and Faber, 1969; reprinted South Canaan, PA: St Tikhon's Seminary Press, 1990. (BX375.M37 A445 1994)

Fekula, Peter and Williams Matthew. *The Order of Divine Services According to the Usage of the Russian Orthodox Church.* Liberty, TN: St. John of Kronstadt Press, 1997. (BX350.A5 F459 2009)

Getcha, Job. *The Typikon Decoded.* Crestwood, NY: St Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2012. (BX350.G4813 2012)

OCA Liturgical Calendar [2024 Edition]

LI 101A—Antiochian Liturgical Practice (Belcher)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LI 103—Celebration of the Sacraments of the Orthodox Church (Permiakov)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LM 101—Continued Liturgical Music of the Orthodox Church in America (Mandell)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LM 101A—Ecclesiastical Chant of the Antiochian Archdiocese (Fine)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LM 103—Liturgical Music of the Orthodox Church in America: Sacraments and the Priesthood (Black)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LM 311—Introduction to Byzantine Notation (Fine)Required TextbooksBoyer, John Michael. *Byzantine Chant: The Received Tradition – A Lesson Book*. 979-8985930603. **(\$89)**Reserve Reading

None

LP 001A—Antiochian Diaconal Preparation (Belcher)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LP 002—Priestly Preparation (Permiakov)Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

LP 002A—Antiochian Priestly Preparation (Belcher)Required Textbooks (contact instructor before purchasing textbooks)

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of N.A. *Service Book of the Antiochian Archdiocese*, twelfth edition. Englewood, NJ: Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of N.A., 2006. 0962419044. **(\$19.25)**

Essey, Basil, ed. *The Liturgikon*, third edition. Dickson Press, Grand Rapids, MI: Dickson Press, 1989. 0962419001. **(\$50)**

Najim, Michel, and Patrick B. O'Grady, trans. *Services of Initiation into the Holy Orthodox-Catholic and Apostolic Church*. Antiochian Orthodox Institute, 2017. 978-0998616506. **(\$25)**

Reserve Reading

None

LT 426—Hymnography of the Triodion (Permiakov & Russin)Required Textbooks

The Lenten Triodion. Trans. Kallistos Ware and Mother Mary. South Canaan: St Tikhon's Seminary Press, 1994 [originally 1978], and reprinted many times. 1878997513. **(\$35)**

Getcha, Job. *The Typikon Decoded*. Crestwood, NY: St Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2012. 9780881414127. **(\$29)**

Reserve Reading

Tucker, Gregory. *The hymnography of the Middle Byzantine ecclesiastic rite and its festal theology: introduction, edition translation, commentary*. Münster: Aschendorff Verlag, 2023. **(BV467.T83 2023)**

Kujumdzieva, Svetlana. *The Hymnographic Book of Tropologion: Sources, Liturgy and Chant Repertory*. New York: Routledge, 2018. **[not yet in library]**

The Lenten Triodion: Supplementary Texts. Trans. Kallistos Ware and Mother Mary. South Canaan: St Tikhon's Seminary Press, 2007, and reprinted many times. **(BX375.T75 M682 2007)**

The Triodion. Brookline: Holy Transfiguration Monastery, 2021. **[not yet in library]**

Holy Week. Brookline: Holy Transfiguration Monastery, 2016. **[not yet in library]**

Sacred Arts**SA 343—Creation in the Church's Art and Theology (Bouteneff & Schroeder)**Required Textbooks

None

Reserve Reading

None

Systematic Theology**DT 101—Dogmatic Theology in Christ (Bouteneff)**Required Textbooks

Meyendorff, John. *Byzantine Theology: Historical Trends and Doctrinal Themes*. 082309679. **(\$25)**

Pomazansky, Michael. *Orthodox Dogmatic Theology: A Concise Exposition*. 0938635697. **(\$20)**

Reserve Reading

None

PHIL 301—Introduction to Christian Philosophy (Legaspi)Required Textbooks

Reeve, C. D. C. and Patrick Lee Miller, eds. *Introductory Readings in Ancient Greek and Roman Philosophy*. 978-1624663529. **(\$50)**

Stead, Christopher. *Philosophy in Christian Antiquity*. 978-0521469555. **(\$44)**

Reserve Reading

None

SP 377—Literatures of Martyria (Gilbert)Required Textbooks

Robin Darling Young, *In Procession Before the World: Martyrdom as Public Liturgy in Early Christianity*. Marquette Univ. Press, 2001; ISBN: 0874625815. **(\$15)**

Father Arseny, 1893-1973: Priest, Prisoner, Spiritual Father. Vera Bouteneff, trans. SVS Press, 1998 or 2021; ISBN: 0881416754 **(\$26)**

Reserve Reading

None

ST 422—Theology of Creation (Torrance)Required Textbooks

Maximus the Confessor. *On Difficulties in the Church Fathers: The Ambigua*. Edited and translated by Nicholas Constas. Vol. 1. 2 vols. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2014. **(\$35)**

Zizioulas, John. *Remembering the Future: An Eschatological Ontology*. Alhambra, CA: St. Sebastian's Press, 2023. **(\$70)**

Reserve Reading

Augustine. 2002. "The Literal Meaning of Genesis." In *On Genesis*, translated by Edmund Hill, 168–506. Hyde Park, NY: New City Press. **[BR60.F3 A86]**

Basil of Caesarea. 1963. *Exegetic Homilies*. Vol. 46. Fathers of the Church. Washington, D.C.: Catholic University of America Press. **[BR60.F3 B26]**

Bouteneff, Peter. 2008. *Beginnings: Ancient Christian Readings of the Biblical Creation Narratives*. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Academic. **[BT695.B63 2008]**

Knight, Christopher. 2020. *Science and the Christian Faith: A Guide for the Perplexed*. Crestwood, NY: SVS Press. **[BL240.3.K589 2020]**