

**STD 558E/STD 558i/SYT 245E/SYT 245i
Liturgical Theology with Eastern Christian Focus**

Fall 2020-21

Course Outline

Class Start Date & End Date

Thursday, September 10, 2020 to Thursday, December 17, 2020

**Online courses begin on the first day of any semester and end on the last day of the semester including exam week.

Class Meeting Time, Location, and Room

Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.

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Course Description

(*no description available on NTC website) This course provides an introduction to the various forms of worship in the Byzantine tradition, with specific emphasis on contemporary Ukrainian Catholic practice. It aims to explore the basics of liturgical celebration in the Kievan tradition, such as the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and the Liturgy of the Hours, and examine some of the pastoral issues related to these forms of ritual.

Course Objectives

- provide familiarity with the overall structure of the Byzantine liturgical tradition.
- learn about what principles and directives govern the celebration of Ukrainian Catholic ritual.
- explore some pastoral issues related to forms of Byzantine/Ukrainian Catholic worship.

Note that this course will be offered in both undergraduate and graduate streams.

M.DIV. Program Students

- a) **Intellectual Formation** - The program shall foster sound knowledge of the revelation of God in creation, in Israel, and in the person of Jesus Christ as witnessed to by Scripture and the Church's Tradition.

- b) **Cultural Context** - The program shall foster an evangelical discernment of the 'signs of the times' to engage with the reality of cultural diversity in the Church and world.
- c) **Personal and Spiritual Formation** - The program shall foster growth in terms of human and Christian maturity, as a personal response to being a disciple of Jesus Christ and as a dimension of public witness.
- d) **Capacity for Ministerial Leadership** - The program shall foster theological reflection on and education for the practice of ministerial leadership in the Church and world.

MRE Program Students

- a) **Theological Instruction** - The program shall offer students instruction in the major areas of Catholic theology.
- b) **Religious Education Instruction** - The program shall offer instruction in the discipline of Religious education.
- c) **Cultural Context** - The program shall foster a capacity to discern and engage the cultural context as it impacts Catholic education.
- d) **Personal and Spiritual Formation** - The program shall offer students with opportunities to grow in their spiritual life and in their vocation as Catholic educators and witnesses to the Gospel.
- e) **Integrating Theory and Praxis** - The program shall offer integration of theological knowledge and religious education formation in the professional work of Catholic education.

MTS Program Students

- a) **Intellectual Formation** - The program shall foster a survey knowledge of theology in the following four areas; Foundational Theology, Sacred Scripture, Systematic Theology, and Moral/Spiritual Theology

Discriminating between introductory, core and elective classes.

Course Assignments and Evaluation

- Class Attendance and Participation = 20%
- Quiz on Liturgical Theology = 20%
- Quiz on Liturgy of the Hours = 20%
- Quiz on Eucharistic Liturgies = 20%
- Final Exam = 20%

Textbooks

Schememann, Alexander. *The Eucharist: Sacrament of the Kingdom*. Trans. Paul Kachur. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1988.

Schememann, Alexander. *For the Life of the World: Sacraments and Orthodoxy*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1995.

Schememann, Alexander. *Introduction to Liturgical Theology*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996.

Taft, Robert F. *The Byzantine Rite: A Short History*. American Essays in Liturgy Series. Collegeville,

MN: The Liturgical Press, 1992.

Taft, Robert. *The Liturgy of the Hours in East and West*. Second Edition. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1993.

Wybrew, Hugh. *The Orthodox Liturgy: The Development of the Eucharistic Liturgy in the Byzantine Rite*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1990.

Recommended Reading

N/A

Course Requirements

- Class Attendance and Participation: regular attendance of every class session; preparing for class by completing the required reading, taking notes on the material, and noting any questions that arise from the reading; asking questions and contributing to class discussions
- Quizzes: brief exams, chiefly in short-answer format, after the conclusion of each topic covered in the course
- Final Exam: cumulative examination based on all the material covered in the course

Late Submission Policy

N/A

Course Schedule

(*14 class meetings)

(1) Thursday, September 10, 2020 (Post-feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God): Introduction; Terminology

(2) Thursday, September 17, 2020 (Post-feast of the Exaltation of the Cross): Historical Context; Liturgical Year: Development; Problems; Reform; Calculation of Pascha; Reading: Taft, Robert F. *The Byzantine Rite: A Short History*. American Essays in Liturgy Series. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1992.

(3) Thursday, September 24, 2020: Liturgical Theology (Part I); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *Introduction to Liturgical Theology*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996, pgs. 9-110.

(4) Thursday, October 1, 2020 (The Protection of the Most Holy Mother of God): Liturgical Theology (Part II); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *Introduction to Liturgical Theology*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996, pgs. 110-220..

(5) Thursday, October 8, 2020: Quiz on Liturgical Theology; Liturgy of the Hours (Part I); Reading: Taft, Robert. *The Liturgy of the Hours in East and West*. Second Edition. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1993, pgs. 3-56; 75-91.

(6) Thursday, October 15, 2020: Liturgy of the Hours (Part II); Reading: Taft, Robert. *The Liturgy of the Hours in East and West*. Second Edition. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1993, pgs. 211-213; 273-291; 331-373..

(7) Thursday, October 22, 2020: Quiz on Liturgy of the Hours; Eucharistic Liturgies (Part I); Reading: Wybrew, Hugh. *The Orthodox Liturgy: The Development of the Eucharistic Liturgy in the Byzantine Rite*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1990, pgs. 1-101.

(8) Thursday, October 29, 2020: Eucharistic Liturgies (Part II); Reading: Wybrew, Hugh. *The Orthodox Liturgy: The Development of the Eucharistic Liturgy in the Byzantine Rite*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1990, pgs. 103-180.

(9) Thursday, November 5, 2020: Eucharistic Liturgies (Part III); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *The Eucharist: Sacrament of the Kingdom*. Trans. Paul Kachur. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1988, pgs. 9-131.

Thursday, November 12, 2020 (*The Holy Priest-Martyr Josaphat, Archbishop of Polotsk*) (*no class: Fall Reading Break)

(10) Thursday, November 19, 2020: Eucharistic Liturgies (Part IV); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *The Eucharist: Sacrament of the Kingdom*. Trans. Paul Kachur. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1988, pgs. 133-245.

(11) Thursday, November 26, 2020: Quiz on Eucharistic Liturgies; Sacraments (Part I); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *For the Life of the World*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996, pgs. 7-65.

(12) Thursday, December 3, 2020: Sacraments (Part II); Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *For the Life of the World*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996, pgs. 67-113.

(13) Thursday, December 10, 2020: Sacraments (Part III); Conclusion of Course; Final Exam Preparation; Reading: Schmemmann, Alexander. *For the Life of the World*. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 1996, pgs. 117-151.

(14) **Thursday, December 17, 2020: Final Exam**

General Academic Information

Course Attendance

No credit will be given for a course if the student has been absent, for any reason whatever, from one-third or more of the lectures and/or seminars scheduled for the term. Likewise, no credit will be given if term assignments or other assignments are or remain incomplete.

Leave of Absence and Policy for Incompletes

Extensions to an incomplete grade may be granted in extenuating circumstances, but may not exceed 16 weeks following the end of the course. Students who fail to complete course work by the agreed deadline will have a grade assigned which is based on work completed.

Academic Integrity

Acts of academic dishonesty (plagiarism, cheating, etc.) are subject to an appropriate penalty. The grade "F" may be assigned to a student guilty of such acts by the professor of the course in which the infraction occurred. A second offense against academic integrity renders the student liable to

automatic dismissal from NTC. Further details are available in the Student Handbook in the Academic Misconduct Policy.

Academic Grievances

Students may appeal grades received; the procedure is outlined in the Student Handbook in the Grade Appeal Policy. For other grievances, students will refer to the Student Grievances Policy also outlined in the Student Handbook.

NOTE: The GPA is computed on the basis of cumulative grade point (letter) values, not percentage values. All courses are included in this calculation except those exceeding degree requirements and/or received as transfer credits from other recognized institutions.

Grading System

Undergraduate Studies C.Th., Dip.Th., B.Th.			Graduate Studies M.T.S., M.Div., M.Th., G.C.C.S.A., M.R.E.		
Grade Meaning	Grade	Grade Point	Grade Meaning	Grade	Grade Point
Excellent	A+	4.0	Excellent	A+	4.0
	A	4.0		A	4.0
	A-	3.7		A-	3.7
Good	B+	3.3	Good	B+	3.3
	B	3.0		B	3.0
	B-	2.7		B-	2.7
Adequate	C+	2.3	Adequate	C+	2.3
	C	2.0		C	2.0
	C-	1.7		C-	1.7
Marginal	D+	1.3			
	D	1.0			
Fail	F	0.0	Fail	D+	1.3
				D	1.0
				F	0.0

Written Assignments - Style and Format

Newman Theological College requires that all written work be submitted in acceptable academic format and style. Please note the following regulations:

Regulations

Research papers, book reports, article summaries, reflection papers, and essays should be double-spaced, printed on one side only, and submitted on white, 8.5" x 11" paper.

A standard type style, such as Times New Roman, with a 12-point font size, must be used. The instructor will specify the most recent edition of the style manual to be used:

2. Kate Turabian, "A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations" (Chicago: University of Chicago Press).
3. Joseph Gibaldi & William Ahters, eds., "MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers" (New York: Modern Language Association of America).
4. American Psychological Association "Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association" (Washington: APA Publications).

Copies of these standard references may be purchased in the NTC bookstore.

Ignorance of standard form is not considered an acceptable excuse for deviation from required standards of format and style.

Academic Regulations

The following Academic Regulations are located in the Academic Calendar for your reference:

- Changes in Registration: Add/Drop/Withdraw Notice
- Course Work
- Final Examination Schedule
- Incomplete Grade Policy
- Inclusive Language

Related Academic Matters

The following Related Academic Matters are located in the Academic Calendar for your reference:

- Grade Reports & Posting
- Glossary of Academic Terms

Other Related Policies

The following policies are located in the Student Handbook for your reference:

- Academic Misconduct Policy
- Grade Appeal Policy

Recording of Lectures

Audio or video recording of lectures, seminars or any other teaching environment by students is allowed only with the prior consent of the instructor. Recorded material is to be used solely for personal study, and is not to be used or distributed for any other purpose without prior written consent from the content author(s).

Student Accessibility Services:

If you have special needs that could affect your performance in this class, please let me know during the first week of the term so that appropriate arrangements can be made. If you are not already registered with Student Services, contact Sr. Zoe Bernatsky at 780-392-2450 ext. 2213; email zoe.bernatsky@newman.edu

Bibliography (to be distributed in class.)