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# About Ecclesiological Investigations

Ecclesiological Investigations (EI) is an ecumenical venture established to promote dialogue, scholarship and collaboration in an open, pluralistic and inclusive spirit throughout the different churches, between Christianity and other faith communities, and between the church and secular societies. In particular, EI promotes collaborative ecclesiology in national, international, intra-ecclesial and ecumenical contexts. In addition to ecumenical and interreligious encounter and understanding, EI's work has an equally central and ongoing commitment to promoting dialogue toward the ends of enhancing social justice. The Network initiates research ventures and tries to help break new ground and make conversations, research and education in these fields happen.

*Ecclesiological Investigations, St. Deiniol's in Hawarden, Wales (2007)*

*Religious Pluralism, Kottayam, India (2008)*

*The Household of God and Local Households, Leuven, Belgium (2010)*

*Ecclesiology and Exclusion in Dayton, Ohio, USA (2011)*

*Pathways for Dialogue in the 21st Century, Assisi, Italy (2012)*

*Religion Authority and the State (marking 1700 years of the Edict of Milan), Belgrade, Serbia (2013)*

*Hope in the Ecumenical Future in Oxford, England (2014)*

*Vatican II: Remembering the Future – Ecumenical, Interreligious and Secular Perspectives on the Council's Impact and Promise, Washington DC, USA (2015)*

*Christianity and Religions in China, Hong Kong (2016)*

*The Reformation and Global Reconciliation, Jena, Germany (2017)*

*The Church and Migration: Global (In)Difference, Toronto, Canada (2018)*

## Schedule

**June 25 Evening Session  
5:00PM–9:00PM**

**Regis College**

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| <b>5:00PM</b>       | <b>Registration</b>   | <b>Foyer, Regis College, 100 Wellesley Street West</b>  |
| <b>7:00PM</b>       | <b>Opening Ceremony</b>   | <b>Courtyard (Foyer, in case of rain), Regis College</b>  |
| <b>7:15PM</b>       | <b>Welcome Remarks</b>  | <b>Regis College Chapel</b><br>HE Thomas Cardinal Collins, <i>Archbishop of Toronto</i><br>Councilor Joe Mihevc, <i>City of Toronto</i> |
| <b>7:40PM</b>       | <b>PLENARY SESSION 1</b>  | <b>Regis College Chapel</b>   |
|                     | <b><u>Ecclesial and Practical Perspectives</u></b>  | Moderator: Jaroslav Skira   |
|                     | 1. <i>Migration and Christian Community in Europe: From Fear to Integration</i>             | Aldo Skoda, CS (Director, Scalabrini International Migration Institute, Rome, Italy)  |
|                     | 2. <i>Church of Migrants and Migrant Church: Overcoming an Ecclesiology of Indifference</i> | Peter Phan (Ignacio Ellacuria Chair of Catholic Social Thought at Georgetown University, USA)   |
| <b>9:00-10:00PM</b> | <b>Opening Reception</b>  | <b>Goupil Foyer, Regis College</b><br>(Sponsored by Regis College)  |

# June 26: Morning Session St. Michael's College

## 8:30AM–10:30AM

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| 8:30AM                        | Meeting Point: Muzzo Family Alumni Hall, 121 St. Joseph Street   |
| 9:00AM                        | CONCURRENT SESSION 1 Muzzo Family Alumni Hall & Toronto School of Theology (TST) Building  |
| 1A<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 302 | <p><b><u>Biblical Perspectives</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Shannon Wylie</p> <p>1. <i>When Faith Matters: The Evolving Roles and Relationships of Faith-Based Organizations along Migration Routes in Mexico</i><br/>Alejandro Olayo-Méndez, SJ (University of Oxford)</p> <p>2. <i>Boaz' Hospitality Toward Ruth: Inspiring our Hospitality Toward Latin American Temporary Farm Workers</i><br/>Martin Bellrose (Institut de pastorale des Dominicains, Montreal, QC)</p> <p>3. <i>Luke-Acts as Scripture Speaking from and to Migration</i><br/>Julius-Kei Kato (King's University College, London, ON)</p>  |
| 1B<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 304 | <p><b><u>Pastoral Realities</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: John Sampson</p> <p>1. <i>Catholic Extension and a Pastoral Theology of Migration in America</i><br/>Timothy P. Muldoon (Boston College)</p> <p>2. <i>The Emergence of Pan-Christian Congregations within the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Sweden</i><br/>Andreas Holmberg (Åbo Akademi University/Stockholm School of Theology)</p> <p>3. <i>Religion, Migration and Pastoral Practice – Empirical, Postcolonial and Theological Perspectives for Educational Processes</i><br/>Kathrin Winkler (Lutheran University of Nuremburg)</p>   |
| 1C<br>TST,<br>Boardroom 2     | <p><b><u>Panel: Human Migration as Mission: Voices and Vision from African Catholicism</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Dorris van Gaal</p> <p>1. <i>From the Global South to the Global North: Emerging Contexts of Human Migration</i><br/>Idara Otu (University of St. Michael's College)</p> <p>2. <i>African Migrant Christians Changing the Landscape of Christianity in the West: Reading the Signs of the Times</i><br/>SimonMary Asese A. Ahiokhai (University of Portland)</p> <p>3. <i>Modern Day Slavery and Philanthropic Racism against People of African Descent: An African Theo-Political Dirge</i><br/>Stan Chu Ilo (DePaul University, Chicago)</p> |

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| 1D<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 306      | <b><u>Panel: Local Initiatives in the Canadian Catholic Church</u></b><br>Moderator: Jason Welle<br><br>1. <i>Welcoming, Protecting, Promoting and Integrating Migrants and Refugees</i><br>Alessandra Santopadre (Archdiocese of Montreal)<br><br>2. Loly Rico and Francisco Rico-Martinez (Co-Executive Directors, FCJ Refugee Center, Toronto)<br><br>3. Rudy Ovcjak (Director, Office of Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto)  |  |
| 1E<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 400      | <b><u>Panel: Irish Immigration and Catholicism in Toronto</u></b><br>Moderator: Gerard Mannion<br><br>1. <i>The Giant Evil of Ireland: Mackenzie, Macdonell, and the Roman Catholic Anti-Grievances Riot, York, 1832</i><br>Laura Smith (University of Toronto)<br><br>2. <i>Women Religious as Migrants: Mother Teresa Dease and the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i><br>Elizabeth Smyth (University of Toronto)<br><br>3. <i>Avoiding Hatred of the Church: Archbishop John Joseph Lynch and the Fenian Movement in Canada</i><br>David Wilson (University of Toronto)                    |  |
| 1F<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 402      | <b><u>Post-colonial Perspectives</u></b><br>Moderator: Mary Beth Yount<br><br>1. <i>"Papa Don't Preach": Roman Catholic Apology and Contextual Theology in Canada</i><br>Chanelle Robinson (Regis College)<br><br>2. <i>Grace and Disgrace: The Australian Catholic Church's 70-year Engagement with Governmental Migration Policy 1948 – 2018</i><br>Trish Madigan, OP (Dominican Centre for Interfaith Ministry, Education and Research, Strathfield, Australia)<br><br>3. <i>Decolonizing the Category "Religion"</i><br>Christiaan Jacobs-Vandegeer (Australian Catholic University, Melbourne) |  |
| 10:30AM                            | <b>Coffee Break</b>   | <b>Kelly Café, Kelly Library, 113 St. Joseph Street</b><br><i>(Sponsored by the Faculty of Theology, University of St Michael's College)</i> |
| 11:00AM<br>Alumni Hall,<br>Rm. 100 | <b>PLENARY SESSION 2</b><br><b><u>Social and Religious Dimensions</u></b><br>Moderator: Michael Attridge<br><br>1. <i>Anthropology and Theology: Notes on Gender</i><br>Valentina Napolitano (University of Toronto)<br><br>2. <i>Migration as a Theo-Political Challenge Facing Global Violence</i><br>Carlos Alvarez Mendoza, OP (Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City)  | <b>Muzzo Family Alumni Hall, 121 St. Joseph Street</b>   |
| 12:30PM                            | <b>Lunch</b>  |  |

# June 26: Afternoon Session St. Michael's College

## 2:00PM–3:30PM

| 2:00PM   | CONCURRENT SESSION 2 Muzzo Family Alumni Hall   |
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| <b>2A</b><br><b>Alumni Hall,</b><br><b>Rm. 302</b> | <p><b><u>Hospitality, Place and Space</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Elizabeth Smyth</p> <p>1. <i>Migration and Sacred Architecture: Lessons from Contemporary Canada</i><br/>Karla Britton (Yale University)</p> <p>2. <i>Hospitality and Disruption: The Church as Sanctuary</i><br/>Mary Beth Yount (Neuman University, Philadelphia, PA)</p> <p>3. <i>Our Doors are Open: Hospitality Towards Immigrants with Special Needs into Places of Worship</i><br/>David Pereyra (OCADU, Toronto)</p>   |
| <b>2B</b><br><b>Alumni Hall,</b><br><b>Rm. 304</b> | <p><b><u>Political Dimensions</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Patricia Madigan</p> <p>1. <i>An Analysis of Religious Freedom in Terms of Cohabitation in Times of Migration</i><br/>Sylvie Guichard (University of Geneva)</p> <p>2. <i>Solidarity and the Possibility of Global Human Rights</i><br/>Nick Olkovich (St. Mark's College, Vancouver, BC)</p> <p>3. <i>The Refugee as "Limit-Concept" in the Modern Nation-State</i><br/>Craig A. Phillips (Virginia Theological Seminary)</p>   |
| <b>2C</b><br><b>Alumni Hall,</b><br><b>Rm. 306</b> | <p><b><u>Refugees</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Channele Robinson</p> <p>1. <i>Deciphering the Genome of "Crisis" in the Syrian "Refugee Crisis": Toward a Hermeneutic Tripod</i><br/>Najib George Awad (Hartford Seminary, Connecticut)</p> <p>2. <i>Love the Stranger, Obey the Law: On the Limits of Scripture in European Protestant Political Theology</i><br/>Joshua Ralston (University of Edinburgh)</p> <p>3. <i>Refugee Livelihoods: Turkey and the USA as Examples</i><br/>Catherine Bellamy (Advisor on Refugee and Humanitarian Issues)</p> |
| <b>2D</b><br><b>Alumni Hall,</b><br><b>Rm. 400</b> | <p><b><u>Nation and Nationality</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Benjamin Lujan</p> <p>1. <i>Churches and National Boundaries: The Differences Between Borders and Limits According to Pope Francis</i><br/>Luc Forestier (Institut Catholique de Paris)</p> <p>2. <i>Ukrainian Churches and Migration in Canada: Re-Imagining History and the Present</i><br/>Jaroslav Skira (Regis College)</p> <p>3. <i>The Return of Pejorative Alterity: From Trump to Brexit and Beyond...</i><br/>Gerard Mannion (Georgetown University)</p>                         |





**June 27: Morning Session**  
**9:00AM-10:30AM**

**Trinity College**

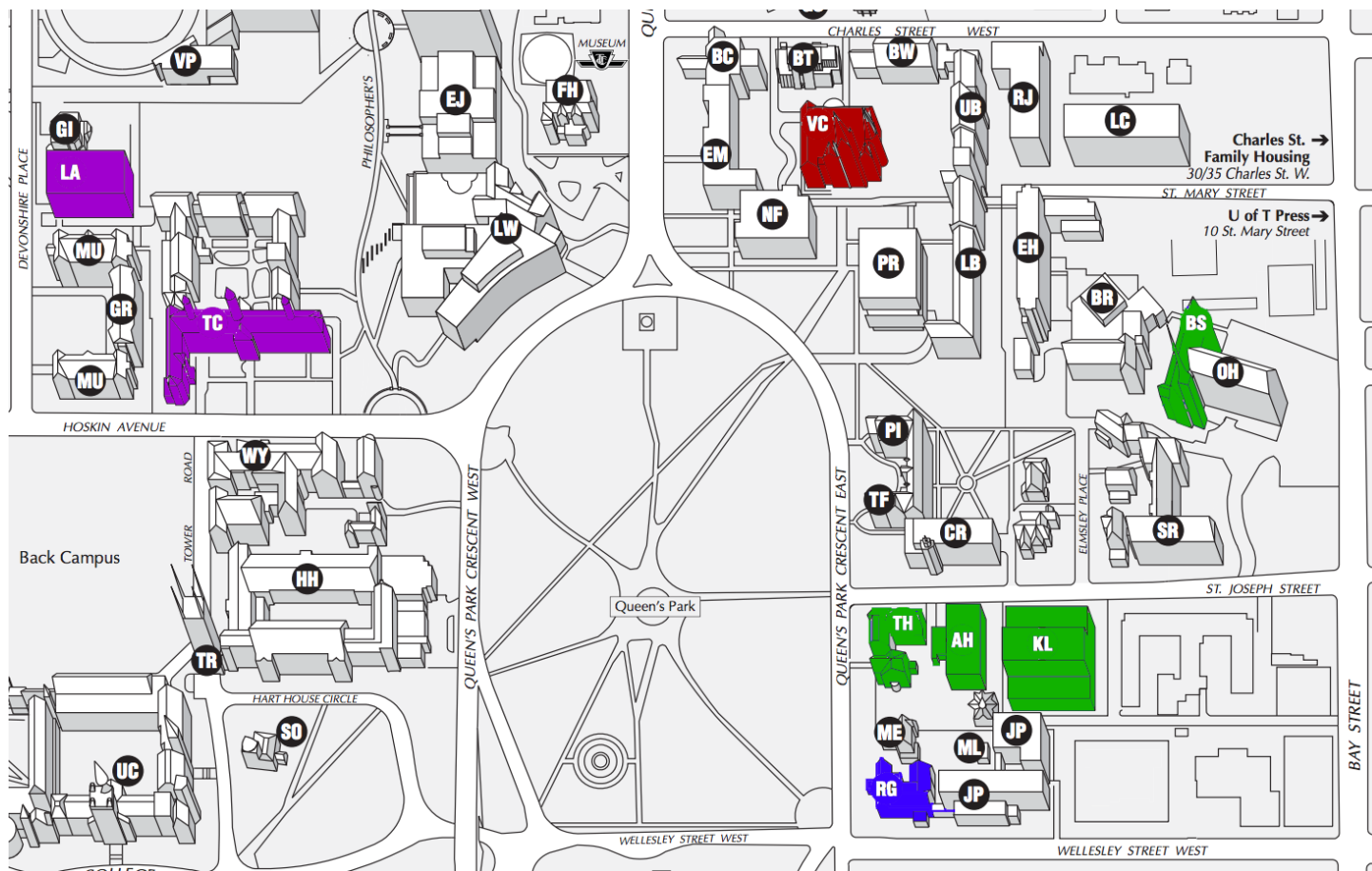
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| 8:30AM                   | Meeting Point: Larkin Building, 15 Devonshire Place   |
| 9:00AM                   | CONCURRENT SESSION 3 Larkin Building  |
| 3A<br>Larkin,<br>Rm. 213 | <p><b><u>Methodological Considerations</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Pim Valkenberg</p> <p>1. <i>The Role of Comparative Theology in the Fourth Stage of Meaning: Some Methodological Reflections</i><br/>John Dadosky (Regis College)</p> <p>2. <i>"One must not forget their spiritual formation": Trauma and Psychic Conversion in the Treatment of Refugees and Other Forcibly Displaced Persons</i><br/>Randy Rosenberg (St Louis University)</p> <p>3. <i>A Church for the Other: Non-indifference and the Law of the Cross</i><br/>Brian Bajzek (Christ the King Seminary, Buffalo, NY)</p> |
| 3B<br>Larkin,<br>Rm. 214 | <p><b><u>Panel: A Migratory People of God from the "Get Go!"</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Sean O'Seasnain</p> <p>1. <i>Jesus the Migrant: Matthew 2:13-15 as a Source for Migrants' Hope</i><br/>Timothy Hegedus</p> <p>2. <i>From One Resurrection City to the Next (1968-2018) – A Continuing Migration to Freedom of African Americans</i><br/>Oscar Cole-Arnal</p> <p>3. <i>From El Salvador to Canada: Personal Journey of a Migratory Christian Activist</i><br/>Julio Romero</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Respondent: Martin Suter</p>  |
| 3C<br>Larkin,<br>Rm. 248 | <p><b><u>Ecclesiology</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Moderator: Joshua Ralston</p> <p>1. <i>Prioritizing the Local Church and Global In-Difference: Stewardship, and Economic Justice</i><br/>Sheryl Johnson (Graduate Theological Union, Berkley CA)</p> <p>2. <i>Hospitality to Others Rooted in an Ecclesiology of the Baptized People of God</i><br/>C. Pierson Shaw, Jr. (Lenoir Rhyne University, Hickory, NC)</p> <p>3. <i>The Migrant Church as a Local Pilgrim Church</i><br/>Brian P. Flanagan (Marymount University, Arlington, VA)</p>   |







# Campus Map



| <u>Legend</u> |                             |
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| <b>LA</b>     | Larkin Building             |
| <b>TC</b>     | Trinity College             |
| <b>VC</b>     | Victoria College            |
| <b>BS</b>     | St. Basil's Catholic Parish |
| <b>TH</b>     | Toronto School of Theology  |
| <b>AH</b>     | Muzzo Family Alumni Hall    |
| <b>KL</b>     | Kelly Library               |
| <b>RG</b>     | Regis College               |

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