THE AQUINAS CENTER and
THE THOMISTIC INSTITUTE

Thomism and Predestination:
A Theological Symposium*

January 25-27, 2016

Monday, January 25

7:30 a.m. –  Breakfast
         9:00 a.m.  Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room

9:30 a.m. –  Graduate Student Panel: [Moderator: Fr. Cajetan Cuddy, OP]
         11:45 a.m.  Dr. Matthew Briel, University of Scranton, “Gennadios Scholario’s Fifteenth
                      Century Greek Adaptation of Aquinas’ Theology of Predestination”
                     Mr. Matthew Kuhner, Ave Maria University, “A Luminous and Splendid Truth:
                      On the Mystery of Predestination in Matthias Scheeben”
                     Mr. Taylor O’Neill, Ave Maria University, “Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange and
                      Jacques Maritain on the Permission of Evil”

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  Lunch
         Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.  Panel 1: [Moderator: Dr. Charles Raith]
         Dr. Roger Nutt, Ave Maria University, “St. Thomas on the Predestination of
                      Christ”
                     Dr. Michael Dauphinais, Ave Maria University, “The Revelation of Sonship:
                      Notes on Predestination from Aquinas’s Commentary on Ephesians”

3:30 – 4:00 p.m.  Break

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  Panel 2: [Moderator: Dr. Michael Pakaluk]
         Dr. Lawrence Feingold, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, “The Role of Operative
                      and Cooperative Graces in Predestination”
                     Dr. Thomas Osborne, University of St. Thomas, Houston, “Why Sin Escapes
                      God’s Premotion: The Contribution of Diego Alvarez and Tomas de Lemos”

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  Reception & Dinner
         Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room

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**Tuesday, January 26**

7:30 a.m. – Breakfast  
*Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room*

9:00 a.m.  
Panel 3: [Moderator: Dr. W. Matthews Grant]

**Fr. Romanus Cessario, OP, St. John’s Seminary, “The Grace of Predestination”**  
**Dr. Joseph Trabbic, Ave Maria University, “Why the Thomistic Doctrine of Praemotio Physica Doesn’t Compromise Divine Transcendence”**  
**Fr. Christopher Cullen, SJ, University of Fordham, “The Thomism of St. Ignatius and the Spiritual Exercises”**

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  
Lunch  
*Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room*

1:30 - 3:00 p.m.  
Panel 4: [Moderator: Fr. Cajetan Cuddy, OP]

**Fr. Thomas Joseph White, OP, Dominican House of Studies, “Catholic Predestination: The Omnipotence and Innocence of Divine Love”**  
**Dr. Steven Long, Ave Maria University, “St. Thomas Aquinas, Divine Causality, and the Mystery of Predestination”**

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.  
Break

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.  
Keynote Address [Moderator: Dr. Steven Long and Ambassador Rooney]

**Fr. Serge-Thomas Bonino, OP, Angelicum – Rome, “Contemporary Thomism Through the Prism of Predestination”**

5:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Reception & Dinner  
*Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room*

**Wednesday, January 27**

7:30 a.m. – Breakfast  
*Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room*

9:30 a.m.  
Panel 5: [Moderator: Sr. Albert Marie Surmanski, OP]

**Dr. Michael Waldstein, Ave Maria University, “Balthasar on Predestination”**  
**Dr. Barry David, Ave Maria University, “De Praedestinatione as Confessio”**

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  
Lunch  
*Oratory and Bob Thomas Student Union Private Dining Room*

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Dinner  
*TBD*

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