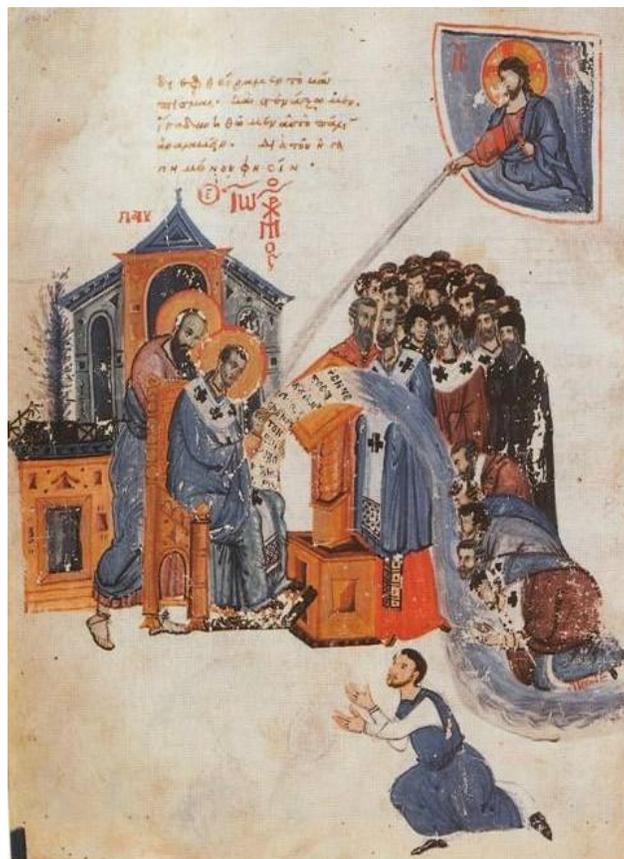


# Announcing the Pappas Patristic Institute's Seventh Annual Summer Patristic Studies Program

July 21 – 26, 2013

At Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology  
Brookline, Massachusetts



St. John Chrysostom writing with St. Paul looking over his shoulder  
Milan, Ambrosian A 172, Sup., fol. 263<sup>v</sup> (property of the Biblioteca Ambrosiana);  
from Margaret Mitchell, *The Heavenly Trumpet*, plate 4, p. 505

We are again pleased to inform you about our seventh annual week-long Summer Patristic Studies Program on the campus of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA on **July 21-26, 2013**. This is a unique opportunity to study and discuss classic texts of the early Church through small group-study led by doctoral candidates and brief lectures led by our instructors. The intended audience for the program includes theology and religious studies students at the masters and undergraduate levels, along with clergy, lay people, and undergraduates with an interest in learning more about the Church Fathers. Students enrolled in an undergraduate or masters program who wish to

receive credit for the courses should indicate this on the registration form. Doctoral-level students are also welcome.

The current list of courses for this summer includes:

- *The Desert Fathers: Stories and Sayings for Contemporary Life*,  
Dr. Bradley Nassif, North Park University
- *Grace and Free Will After Augustine*,  
Dr. Brian Matz, Carroll College
- *Approaches to Prayer in the Early Church*,  
Dr. George Tsakiridis, South Dakota State University
- *Sermons and their Audiences: the Art of Patristic Homiletics*,  
Dr. Bruce Beck, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
- *Exploring the Ancient Baptismal Liturgies*,  
Teva Regule, Boston College
- *Economia and Ecology: The Church Fathers on the Creation*,  
Dr. David K. Goodin, McGill University, Montreal

The program goes from Sunday evening, July 21, through Friday afternoon, July 26. Each course will be offered daily during a three-hour session. Each participant will have the opportunity to take two courses during the week (see below for more details on the schedule and methodology). For attendees needing lodging, housing will be provided on campus. For more information, or to register, please send an email to the Director of the Pappas Institute, Dr. Bruce Beck ([pappaspatristic@comcast.net](mailto:pappaspatristic@comcast.net)) at your earliest convenience. We will then send you a registration form to fill out. *Please register at your earliest convenience to facilitate planning.*

**Schedule of Courses:**

Course	Professor	Start Time	End Time
<i>Exploring the Ancient Baptismal Liturgies</i>	Teva Regule	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
<i>Grace and Free Will After Augustine</i>	Dr. Brian Matz	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
<i>Approaches to Prayer in the Early Church</i>	Dr. George Tsakiridis	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
<i>The Desert Fathers: Stories and Sayings for Contemporary Life</i>	Dr. Bradley Nassif	2:00 PM	5:00 PM
<i>Sermons and their Audiences: the Art of Patristic Homiletics</i>	Dr. Bruce Beck	2:00 PM	5:00 PM
<i>Economia and Ecology: The Church Fathers on the Creation</i>	Dr. David K. Goodin	2:00 PM	5:00 PM

### Program Fees:

- Registration (includes lunches): \$450
- Room and Board (for 6 nights, Sun – Fri, and meals) \$250

### Program Details:

- **Goal:** to provide the opportunity for in-depth, group study of significant theological topics of contemporary relevance based on selected writings of the ancient Church.
- **Primary Audience:** Masters-level students of theology, divinity, or similar programs who wish to further their knowledge of the writings and practices of the early Church. All others interested in coming are also welcome to apply.
- **Pedagogical Method:** each course will study primary patristic texts organized topically. Each class period has three types of learning; 1) the instructor provides an overview of the texts being studied, including their historical contexts and relevance for the class; 2) the class divides into small groups of 6-8 persons led by Teaching Fellows who are doctoral students; 3) the instructor offers a 20-30 minute lecture followed by further discussion with the entire class.
- **Credit:** those wishing to take the program for 3 credit hours, must take 2 classes and write an academic research paper under the direction of one of the faculty by December 31, 2013.

- **Structure of Program**

Check in Sunday afternoon, July 21, between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. Orientation and opening presentation will be Sunday evening after dinner.

Sessions will be held Monday through Friday per the above schedule.

Sessions will consist of group, text-study sessions led by faculty along with doctoral level teaching assistants.

Each session will be 3 hours, consisting of

15 minutes introduction of the texts by instructor

90 minutes group study led by instructor and teaching fellow

Break (30 Minutes)

45 minutes lecture and further discussion

Each participant will choose two courses of study for the week. Each course will meet 5 times (once each day).

*Founded by a generous grant from the late Stephen Pappas and his wife Catherine, the goal of the Pappas Patristic Institute is the advancement and promotion of eastern patristic studies in the service of the academy and of the Church.*