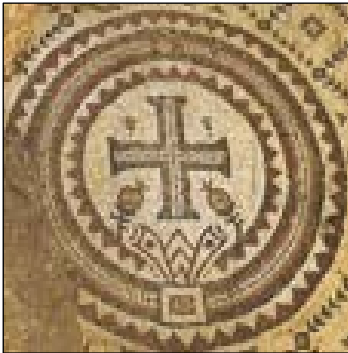




PAPPAS PATRISTIC INSTITUTE

Announcing the First Annual Summer Patristic Studies Program

At Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
Brookline, Massachusetts
July 29 – August 3, 2007



We are pleased to announce the inaugural week-long *Summer Patristic Studies Program* on the campus of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA on **July 29 – August 3, 2007**. This is a unique opportunity for theology, divinity, and religious studies students at the masters-level to study closely some of the classic texts of the early Church in thematic, group study sessions. Undergraduates and others with a background in theological studies are also welcome to apply. Courses of study will include:

- The Human Person as Image and Likeness of God
- Hierarchy, Authority, and Ecclesiology in the Apostolic Fathers
- Pedagogy and Homiletics in the Sermons of St. John Chrysostom
- The Problem of Evil
- Baptism and Catechesis in the Early Church
- Interpretation of the Scriptures: Historical Models and Contemporary Applications

The program goes from Sunday afternoon, July 29, through Friday, August 3. Housing will be provided for attendees needing lodging. The cost for the entire week of study is \$550 (which includes room and board). For those not needing housing, the cost is \$375. For more information, or to register, please send an email to Dr. Bruce Beck (beck.bruce@comcast.net). Your registration email should include full name, address, phone number, institutional affiliation, and a paragraph about your interest in attending this program. *Please register at your earliest convenience, but no later than July 2.* Payment is due upon arrival. If you cannot afford the tuition, please inquire about financial aid scholarships.

See below for more information on the goals, pedagogical methods, and structure of the program:

1. **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.
2. **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.
3. **Pedagogical Method:** courses will study key exemplary texts in groups led by Faculty on topics important both for the Church Fathers and for the contemporary Church. Keynote lectures may also be given by the faculty in the chosen topic in plenary sessions. Following the group study of selected texts, faculty will offer a lecture followed by further discussion.

4. Structure of Program

- Check in Sunday afternoon, July 29
- Sessions will be held Monday through Friday
- Sessions will consist of group, text-study sessions led by faculty along with doctoral level teaching assistants.
- Each session will be 2 ½ hours, consisting of
 - 15 minutes introduction of the texts by instructor
 - 90 minutes group study led by instructor and teaching fellow
 - 45 minutes lecture by faculty with discussion
- Each participant will choose two topics to study for the week. Each topic will have 5 sessions (once per day).
- Plenary session lectures may also be offered by faculty.
- After dinner there be free time for study and other unstructured activities.

5. Faculty and Teaching Fellows

a. Faculty

Dr. Jim Skedros	Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
Sr. Nonna Verna	Harrison, Saint Paul School of Theology
Dr. Ann Bezzerides	Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology
Dr. Ute Possekkel	Independent Scholar
Dr. Paul Gavrilyuk	University of St. Thomas (currently visiting professor, Harvard Divinity School)

b. Doctoral Student Teaching Fellows

Shawn Cho	Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Nadia Delicata	Regis College, University of Toronto
Tia Jamir	Dallas Theological Seminary
Jonathan Loopstra	Catholic University of America
Mark Tarpley	Southern Methodist University

See the Institute's website for updates to this program, as well information about other upcoming events sponsored by the Patristic Institute at <http://www.pappaspatristic.hchc.edu>.

Founded in 2003 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.