

## Insight, Method, and the Trinity

A series of courses will investigate the nature of theology through an unpacking of its methodological structure by reflecting upon the heuristic notions, structures and cognitive operations required to do Trinitarian theology. The primary texts used throughout the courses will be

1. Triune God, volumes 1 and 2.
2. Method in Theology
3. Insight
4. Early Works on Theological Method, volumes 1, 2, and 3
5. Philosophical and Theological Papers, 1958 – 1964 and 1965 - 1980
6. St. Augustine's *De Trinitate*
7. St. Thomas' *Summa Theological*.

Each course will investigate a central question, meet for 7 times, and last approximately 14 - 16 weeks. As a whole, the courses will form an ordered sequence. Tentatively, the plan will be the following.

Course 1: Conscious-Intentional Operations and Transcendent Method

Course 2: The Capacity for Self-Transcendence, the Transcendental Notions, and Heuristic Structures

Course 3: The Human Good, The Good of Creation, and the Divine Good

Course 4: Meaning

Course 5: The nature of religion

Course 6: Theological Method

Course 7: Functional Specialization: Part 1 Mediating Theology

Course 8: Functional Specialization: Part 2 Mediated Theology

Course 9: Metaphysics and Theology

Course 10: Ethics and Theology

Course 11: Religion and Theology, with special focus on ecclesiology

Course 12: The Theological Community

This seminar will begin February 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at the Lonergan Institute in Washington, D.C., and moderated by Dr. David Fleischacker via Skype. Skype access is for participants is possible. You do not need to intend to participate in all courses in order to begin.