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Friday, June 6th 2014

12:00 – 2:00pm **Conference Registration – McGinley Center, 2nd Floor** (top of stairs, near the elevator)

(2:00 – 5:00pm) Additional Registration Time during the breaks

2:00 – 2:15pm **Conference Opening and Welcome – McGinley Center 237**
Teresa Collett, UFL President
Fr. Joseph Koterski, Conference Host

2:30 – 5:00pm **Panel Session I**

A. Argumentation and Ethical Theory - McGinley Center 234
Moderator: R. Mary Lemmons (University of St. Thomas)

- "Jesus v. Abortion"
  Charles Bellinger (Brite Divinity School / Texas Christian University)

- "Moral Pluralism and Bogged-Down Bioethics: Does Contemporary Natural Law Theory Offer A Way Forward?"
  Patrick Tully (University of Scranton)

- "The Pro-lifer's Pro-life Duty to Advocate a Balanced Environmental Ethic"
  Marie George (St. John's University)

B. Research Efforts – McGinley Center 236
Moderator:

- "Peace Psychology Considers Abortion"
  Rachel MacNair (Institute for Integrated Social Analysis)

- "The Influence of Contraception, Abortion and Natural Family Planning on Divorce Rates as Found in the 2006-2010 National Survey of Family Growth"
  Richard Fehring (Marquette University)

- ProVita Research: A Pro-Life Alternative to Guttmacher
  Jacqueline Harvey (International Center for Truth in Science)

5:30 –7:15 pm **Dinner – O'Keefe Commons in O'Hare Hall**

7:30 – 9:00 pm **Smith Award Presentation – O'Keefe Commons in O'Hare Hall**
Helen Alvare (George Mason University School of Law)
"The Elephant in the Room: Talking about Sex and Getting it Right"

Saturday, June 7th 2014

8:15 – 9:15 am **Continental Breakfast – McGinley Center Ballroom**

9:30 – 10:30 am **Plenary Address I – Mother Agnes Donovan SV**
"Witnesses to Truth: A Spirituality to Sustain Us"
McGinley Center 237

10:45 – 11:45am **Panel Session II**

A. Euthanasia in Belgium and the United States - McGinley Center 234
Moderator: Lynn D. Wardle (Brigham Young University)

- "Euthanasia's Frontier: The Experiment in Belgium"
  Rev. John Conley, S.J. (Loyola University, Maryland)

- "Physician-Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia in the United States: A Current Legal Perspective"
  Richard Myers (Ave Maria School of Law)

B. The Personal Experience - McGinley Center 236
Moderator:

- "Loneliness, Love, and Redemption: Healing the Walking Wounded through Thomistic Personalism"
  R. Mary Lemmons (University of St. Thomas)

- "Arguing for Myself: Moving from Abstract to Person"
  Elizabeth Bakewicz, J.D. (Independent Scholar)

11:45 – 12:45pm **Lunch – McGinley Center Ballroom**

1:00 – 2:00 pm **<u>Plenary Address II</u> - Erika Bachiochi**
"Women, Men, Sexual Asymmetry & Authentic Reproductive Justice"
McGinley Center 237

2:15 – 3:15 pm **<u>Panel Session III</u>**

A. International Perspectives - McGinley Center 234
Moderator:

- "Why Regional International Institutions Matter to Unborn Children"
  Patrick Flood (Independent Scholar)

- "Legalizing Murder: Constitutional Limits to Laws that Remove the Fetus from the Definition of Human Being"
  Charles Lugosi (Wilfred Laurier University)

B. Literature and Life - McGinley Center 235
Moderator: Barbara Freres (Cardinal Stritch University)

- "Assisted Suicide Fiction Written in English from 1900 to the Present"
  Jeff Koloze (South University)

- "Supporting Comfort Care at the End of Life "
  Teresa LaMonica (Marymount University)

C. Abortion and Legal Cases - McGinley Center 236
Moderator: Kevin Miller (Franciscan University of Steubenville)

- "Hobby Lobby, Conestoga Wood Specialties, and the Future of Roe v. Wade"
  Lynn Wardle (J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University)

- "Race and Sex Discrimination v. Abortion - Will Sex and Race-based Abortion Bans Survive Judicial Scrutiny?"
  Teresa Collett (University of St. Thomas)

3:30 – 4:30 pm **Panel Session IV**

A. Concerning Brain Death – McGinley Center 234
Moderator: Richard Fehring (Marquette University)

- "Of Wholes and Parts: A Thomistic Critique of the 'Brain Death' Concept"
  Michel Accad, MD (University of California San Francisco)

- "Deconstructing the Brain Disconnection-Brain Destruction Analogy and Clarifying the Rationale for the Neurological Criterion of Death"
  Melissa Moschella (The Catholic University of America)

B. Abortion, Euthanasia, and the Law - McGinley Center 236
Moderator:

- "A Right to Voluntary Euthanasia? Confusion in Canada in *Carter*"
  John Keown (Georgetown University)

- "The Future of 20 Week Abortion Bans after Horne v. Isaacson"
  Bill Saunders (Americans United for Life)

4:30 - 5:00 pm **Open Microphone – McGinley Center 234**

5:30 pm **Catholic Vigil Mass – University Church**
5:30 pm **Interfaith Service (TBA) – Ground floor, University Church**

7:00 – 8:30pm **Closing Banquet – McGinley Center Ballroom**
UFL Writing Contest Award Presentation - Dr. Jeff Koloze

8:30 – 10:30pm **Hospitality Suite – O'Hare Hall**