

CALL FOR PAPERS

2012 (20th ANNIVERSARY) ANNUAL NATIONAL MEETING-CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL SCIENTISTS

KELLENBERG MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, Uniondale, Long Island, New York
FRIDAY-SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26-27, 2012

(Kellenberg also is also a retreat center and site of many orthodox Catholic events on Long Island)

PAPERS ARE SOUGHT IN THESE BROAD SUBJECT AREAS:

- Topics relating to Catholic social teaching and the social encyclicals (from a social science, historical, theological, or philosophical perspective)
- The Catholic Encounter with American Culture (or Society)
- The Catholic Encounter with Secularism in the Modern World
- Catholics and American Political Life
- American Catholic History
- The History of Catholicism in Other Countries
- Topics in Psychology, Theoretical and Applied, that will Aid in Developing a Catholic Approach to this Discipline; Catholic Approaches to the Other Disciplines
- Church and State; Religious Liberty; Religious Conflict
- Catholic Approaches to Law (Natural Law, Civil Law, Civil Rights, etc.)
- Critiques of American, Canadian, etc. Social Policy from the Standpoint of Catholic Social and Other Teachings
- Catholic Social Teaching Applied to Current Economic, Social, Political, or International Problems; Catholic Critiques of, and Institutional Alternatives, etc. for, the Economic and Political Orders Generally
- Important Catholic Social Thinkers
- How Catholic Social Teaching and/or a Catholic Worldview Generally Can Be Applied in Various Professions, Occupational Endeavors, Areas of Life, etc. (e.g., in business, social work, law, psychology and counseling, medicine, psychiatry, journalism, education, scientific fields, the organizing and operating of secular and Church institutions, etc.)
- Social Science, Psychological, Historical, etc., Dimensions of Human Life Issues
- Topics Related to the Family (e.g., Its Role as the Foundation of Society and the State; Problems Confronting it and Threats to it in Our Time; Ways of Assisting it without Undermining its Integrity, Rights, or Proper Role)
- Topics relating to Catholic Higher and Pre-College Education
- Critiques of Current Political and Economic Ideologies (e.g., neoconservatism, different versions of liberalism, the Chicago economic school) in Light of Catholic Social Teaching
- Historical, Political, Economic, or Social Topics, especially with a Catholic Dimension
- Theological or Philosophical Topics with a Social Dimension, or Topics in Ethics
- Other, related subjects will also be considered

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INFORMATION: Proposals **must** include the following: proposed paper title, abstract of the proposed paper (250 words maximum), institutional affiliation and 1-paragraph bio of each presenter, and email address(es) **and** regular ("snail") mail address(es) of presenter(s) (regular mail address is needed for the sending conference registration packet in early August). **It is preferred that proposals be emailed. Send them to: Msgr. Robert Batule (msgr.batule@yahoo.com). If you cannot email the proposal, send it via regular mail to: Msgr. Robert Batule, 29 Northgate Drive, Greenlawn, NY 11740. STRICT DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: June 1, 2012.** Proposals for panels and workshops without formal papers will certainly also be considered, but formal papers are especially encouraged. It is also possible to organize a panel with up to 3 formal papers (in which case titles and abstracts of each paper and the above information for each presenter must be sent together, and the panel chairman and his affiliation indicated). **Persons interested in being moderators for conference sessions should also indicate that preference on the enclosed sheet and send it to Msgr. Batule by June 1, 2012 or email the same information to him.** Please consider being a moderator - we usually are short of volunteers for this, and we expect to have an exceptionally large number of sessions at the 2012 conference. **There is a limit of two formal paper presentations per person, but presenters may also additionally serve as respondents, panelists on less formal panels where they are not presenting a paper, panel chairmen, and moderators.** N.B.: People should submit proposals only if they are reasonably sure they will be able to attend. We have had an unduly large number of presenters canceling out at recent SCSS conferences. People who cancel out without a good reason will not be permitted to present at the following year's conference.

Paper presenters will be required to bring 15 copies of their completed papers for distribution at the conference. Papers (generally limited to 20 pages) can be considered for publication, if the presenter wishes, in the SCSS's annual scholarly journal, *The Catholic Social Science Review (CSSR)*. Submission information and guidelines can be found at the *CSSR* website (cssronline.org).

**MODERATORS ARE NEEDED FOR SESSIONS AT THE
2012 SCSS NATIONAL MEETING-CONFERENCE
(Oct. 26-27, 2012, Kelenberg Memorial High School, Uniondale, Long Island, New York)**

If you would be interested in volunteering to be the moderator of a session or sessions (this involves primarily introducing the speakers, keeping time limits, and regulating the discussion period), please fill out this sheet and send it by June 1, 2012 to: **Msgr. Robert Batule, 29 Northgate Drive, Greenlawn, NY 11740**, or e-mail him the information (**msgr.batule@yahoo.com**). If emailing, be sure to include **all** the information asked for.

Name _____

*Institutional affiliation and title _____

*Highest degree, field, and institution received from _____

Regular Mail ("Snail Mail") Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Discipline(s) or Fields that You Wish to Moderate Sessions in:

Up to how many 90-minute sessions would you be interested in moderating during the conference? _____

The sessions are made up of two presenters, which are grouped together by the conference coordinators according to similarity of topics. They last 90 minutes (about 30 minutes for each presentation and 30 minutes for questions and discussion). Sessions are not the same as panels, which are proposed by an organizer to involve a particular topic that he lines up panelists to speak on different facets of and usually serves as the chairman of. People may serve as moderators even if they are also presenters in other sessions or chairmen of or on other panels.

*A short bio may be sent in place of this information

We really need people to volunteer as moderators! Thank you for your assistance.