



Theology

Session 1

Does Genesis “Tell It All” About Creation and Evolution?

Sister Damien Marie Savino

What does the Book of Genesis tell us about the Theology of Creation? How can the message of Genesis be taught in Catholic high school classrooms, not only in religion classes but also potentially in the sciences? What are its values and limits as a teaching tool?

[Link to the online talk.](#)

Session 2

Title: Religion: Not Just a Subject But a Person: Helping Students Encounter Christ

Speaker: Jose Gonzalez and Sr. M. Johanna Paruch

This talk will explore Catechetical methods and pedagogy that focus on helping students not only understand the beauty and riches of our Faith but will also help lead them to encounter Jesus in a personal way. This session will explore key points in some of the Church’s catechetical documents as well as provide teachers with an opportunity to explore practical lessons and activities that apply those points in the classroom.

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Session 2

From Baptism to the Eucharist: The Gift of Conscience Purified by the Blood (Love) of Christ
Professor Douglas G. Bushman, S.T.L.

Prof. Bushman will unfold the biblical, anthropological, and spiritual riches of Vatican II’s teaching on conscience as the locus of human dignity because it is knowledge of God’s law of love in the truth. To live according to this dignity is to seek the truth, to acknowledge the truth, and to live in accordance with the truth. God’s concern for human dignity is seen in the apostolic Church’s understanding that the New Covenant is the gift of a conscience purified by the blood, that is, the love, of Christ. This gift is made through the Sacrament of Baptism, and is constantly renewed through prayer, examination of conscience, life of Christian virtue, and participation in the Eucharist.

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