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Annual Report – Academic Year 2018-2019



In March, Ukrainian Catholic Metropolitan-elect of Philadelphia, Borys Gudziak, met with students from the GTA and Ukraine.

The Sheptytsky Institute - A Place of Inquiry and Encounter

Institute Director's Message

The Sheptytsky Institute's banner refers to MASI as "a place of inquiry and encounter." Indeed, where else does one find scholars and students gathering regularly to dialogue with Coptic Orthodox, Ukrainian Greco-Catholics, Anglicans, Muslims, Roman Catholics, Jews, Greek Orthodox, Protestants – and agnostics – not to mention Serbian royalty and a host of other fascinating individuals? As the Sheptytsky Institute begins its third year at the University of St. Michael's College in Toronto, we at MASI pray that He who is the way, the truth and life (John 14: 6) will continue to guide all our inquiry and encounters.

Fr. Peter Galadza, PhD

Director, Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies (MASI)

University of St. Michael's College in the University of Toronto



Greek Orthodox theologian, Dr. Kyriaki Karidoyanes Fitzgerald, with students from "Explorations in Eastern Christian Spirituality," Summer 2018.



Dr. Ephraim Radner of Wycliffe College, one of Canada's most prolific theologians, speaks during a "Tuesday at Sheptytsky" in October.



Fr. John Boutros, former pediatric neurosurgeon and beloved Coptic Orthodox pastor of students, leads a retreat in September.



Dr. Brian Butcher teaches "Foundations of Eastern Christian Theology," Winter 2019.

Academic Activities

Courses offered at Sheptytsky

Summer 2018

- (P. Galadza) SMT3531/6531: The Liturgical Theology of Alexander Schmemmann (1921-1983)
- (K. Fitzgerald) SMP2271HS Explorations in Eastern Christian Spirituality



Maria Ivaniv, doctoral student, presents during seminar on 20th century Eastern Christian sacramental theology.

Fall 2018

- (B. Butcher) SMT1104H – Foundations of Eastern Christian Theology
- (A. Laschuk) SMJ1610HF – General Introduction to the Eastern Churches
- (D. Galadza) SSMT2141HF – Byzantine Christian Sacraments

Winter 2019

- (B. Butcher) SMT2944HF – Foundations of Eastern Christian Ethics
- (A. Chirovsky) SMT2215HS – The Three-Personed God: Eastern Christian Perspectives
- (P. Galadza) SMT3641HS – Twentieth-Century Eastern Christian Sacramental Theology
- (A. Laschuk) SMP3721HS – The Canonical Tradition of the Christian East

Sheptytsky Institute Academic Staff and Current Academic Service, University of St. Michael's College, 2018-2019

Prof. Peter Galadza, PhD (Full Professor)

- Chair, *ex officio*, Sheptytsky Institute Council
- Managing Editor, *Logos: A Journal of Eastern Christian Studies*
- Member of the following: USMC Theology Faculty Council; TST and USMC Curriculum Committees; Sheptytsky Institute Advisory Committee; MASI/MASIF Operations Committee; Patriarchal Theological Commission of the UGCC; One Promotion Committee and One Tenure Committee within TST; Petro Jacyk Centre Coordinating Committee, U of T; International Advisory Board, Ukrainian Jewish Encounter; Editorial Board, BRILL Publishers, "Texts and Studies in Eastern Christianity"
- Ecclesiarch, St. Sophia Chapel, Elmsley Hall

Graduate Supervision and Committee Work

Advanced Degree Programs: PhD, DMin:

- Maria Ivaniv (USMC), PhD.
- Geoffrey Ready, Trinity College, DMin. Completed thesis: "Living God's Story: Strengthening Liturgical Participation and Christian Formation through the Renewal of Enacted Narrative in the Orthodox Divine Liturgy"

Membership of doctoral committees or reader of dissertations for Andualem Gobena (USMC), Charles Meeks (Wycliffe), Krista Dowdeswell (Wycliffe), and David Kennedy (Trinity)

Interim Staff

During the Fall Semester, **Dr. Jaroslav Skira** of Regis College served as acting director, and **Dr. Daniel Galadza** taught as sessional lecturer and served as ecclesiarch.

Prof. Andriy Chirovsky, SThD (CLTA)

- Member of: Faculty Council, Faculty of Theology, USMC; Sheptytsky Institute Council; Sheptytsky Institute Advisory Committee; MASI/MASIF Operations Committee; UGCC Patriarchal Theological Commission; Director of Education, St. Nicholas Eparchy of Chicago

Dr. Brian Butcher, PhD (Sessional Lecturer and Research Fellow)

- Member, Sheptytsky Institute Council
- Cantor and Schedule coordinator, Institute Chapel
- Artistic Director and Conductor, Sheptytsky Choir.
- Organizer and cantor, Vespers, annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature (Denver, Nov. 17, 2018). Service co-sponsored with AAR's Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit
- Steering Committee, Eastern Orthodox Studies Group of the American Academy of Religion
- Organizer and moderator, "Tuesdays at Sheptytsky"
- Organizer and joint animator, "Greek for Breakfast"

Dr. Alex Laschuk, JCD (Sessional Lecturer)

- Member of: Peer Review Committee, *Studia canonica*; Eastern Churches Committee, Canon Law Society of America; Governing Board, Canadian Council of Churches; North American Orthodox-Catholic Theological Consultation; Interim Chaplain, MASI.

Publications

Articles, Chapters in Books, Entries in Reference Works and Reviews

- (A. Babynskyi) "The Emergence of the Ukrainian Catholic Patriarchal Movement in the USA: Background, Events, and Personalities" [in Ukrainian]. *Kovcheh: A Journal of Church History* 8 (2018): 317-40.
- (A. Babynskyi) "How Does Theology Develop? Thomas Kuhn's Theory and Its Application to Theology." *Analecta of the Ukrainian Catholic University: Theology* 6 (2019): 305-17.
- (A. Babynskyi) God's Providence Does Manifest Itself in Crises (Interview), *Slovo* 3 (49) 2019, 8-11
- (A. Babynskyi) A New Opportunity for the Ukrainian Catholic Patriarchate Emerges with the Creation of the OCU, *Ukrainian Weekly*, 15 February 2019
- (P. Galadza) Preface to *Strangers in a Strange Church? New Faces of Ukrainian Catholicism in Canada* (Toronto: Novalis, 2019), 2-16.
- (A. Babynskyi) "Greco-Catholics and Orthodox," *Skyniya* 35 (2019): 5-14.
- (A. Babynskyi) "A Universal Moment in the Life of the Ukrainian Church," *Patriyarkhat* 471 (2019): 3-6.
- (A. Babynskyi) Review of Marta Bohachevsky-Chomiak's *Ukrainian Bishop, American Church*, *Patriyarkhat* 474 (2019): 27-28.
- (B. Butcher) Book Review – Bissera V. Pentcheva, *Hagia Sophia: Sound, Space, and Spirit in Byzantium* (University Park, PA: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2017) for *Reading Religion*, (the on-line book review forum of the AAR)
- (B. Butcher) "Gender in/and Orthodox Theology: Vistas and Vantage Points" in Helena Kupari and Elina Vuola, eds. *Gender in Orthodox Christianity* (London: Routledge, forthcoming)
- (B. Butcher) "Women Deacons in the Christian East" and "The Diaconate in the Orthodox and Eastern Catholic Churches" in D. Michael Jackson, ed. *The Diaconate in Ecumenical Perspective* (Durham, UK: Sacristy Press, forthcoming in August 2019)
- (B. Butcher) Book Chapter – "Eastern Catholic Liturgy" in Alcuin Reid, ed. *T&T Clark Companion to Liturgy* 2nd ed. (London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2019)
- (B. Butcher) Book Chapter – "Liturgical Singing as a Source and Criterion for Philosophical Aesthetics" in J. Bruce Ellis Benson, Neal DeRoo and Aaron Simmons, eds. *Liturgies: Philosophical Explorations of Embodied Religious Practice* (Oxford University Press, 2020)



The Rev. Dr. Andrew Louth, one of the world's most renowned Orthodox theologians and the general editor of the 4th edition of the indispensable Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church with Fr. Geoffrey Ready of Trinity College and Fr. Peter Galadza during a visit to the Institute. Thanks to Fr. Louth's commitment to comprehensive scholarship, for the first time in its long history the ODCC will include entries on A. Sheptytsky, J. Slipyj, H. Kostelnik, M. Smotrytsky, and the Ostroh Bible.

- (A. Chirovsky) "Култ Марії і Апокрифи. Історичні і Богословські Аспекти" [The Cult of Mary and Apocrypha. Historical and Theological Aspects] in *Цариця Неба і Землі: Апокрифи* [Queen of Heaven and Earth: Apocrypha]. Lviv, Ukraine: Svichado, 2019, pp. 13-19.
- (A. Chirovsky) "Endorsement," in Damian Stayne, *Renouveau Tes Merveilles: Des dons spirituels pour aujourd'hui*. Paris: Éditions des Béatitudes, 2019, pp. 11-13.
- (A. Chirovsky) "The Ecclesial Situation in Ukraine after the Tomos of Autocephaly." *Logos: A Journal of Eastern Christian Studies* 59 (2018) 1-10.
- (P. Galadza) Entries for the 4th Edition of *The Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church*, Andrew Louth, General editor: "Orientalium Ecclesiarum"; "Ostroh Bible"; "Sheptytsky, Andrey"; "Kostelnik, Havryil"; "Smotrytskyi, Meletius"; "Slipyj, Josyf"; "Arcudius, Peter"; "Greek Catholics."
- (P. Galadza) "Orthodox Sacramental Theology: The 20th-century and Today" [in Ukrainian] *Naukovi Zapysky UCU* 6 (2019): 57-88.
- (A. Laschuk) "Harmony and Solitude: Recent Canonical Changes and the Catholic Eastern Churches," in *Proceedings of the 79th Annual Convention of the Canon Law Society of America*, Washington, Canon Law Society of America, 2018, 189-207.

Lectures and Presentations

Summer and Fall 2018

- (A. Laschuk) "Teaching the Tough Stuff," Catholic Family Services Annual Day of Renewal for Marriage Preparation Facilitators, Toronto, September 2018
- (A. Laschuk) "The Role of Canon Law in the Catholic Tradition and Church-State Relations," Cardus Religious Freedom Institute – The Decretum Seminar, Ottawa, October 2018
- (A. Laschuk) "Tribunal Procedures and *Mitis Iudex*," Canadian Canon Law Society Annual Convention, Hamilton, October 2018
- (A. Laschuk) "Formation Not Frustration: Canon Law Highlights for the RCIA Catechist," Archdiocese of Toronto 2018 Parish Ministry Conference, Toronto, October 2018
- (B. Butcher) "The Changing Face of Christianity: Diversity and Inclusion in the Contemporary Christian World," Panelist for the Office of Human Rights, Freedoms and Inclusion, Department of Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa, 4 October 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "John of Damascus (c. 675-749): In Defense of Icons, Lecture for SMC 379H1F – Major Christian Thinkers (USMC, 9 October 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "Precious in the Sight of the Lord Is the Death of His Venerable Ones (Ps 115:6 [LXX]): Martyrdom in the Byzantine Christian Tradition," Paper at the Scripture and Theology Colloquium: Martyrdom and its Scriptural Shape (Wycliffe College, University of Toronto, 19 October 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "Constantinople and Beyond: An Introduction to the Eastern/Orthodox Christian World," Lecture for CATH 200 (Introduction to Catholicism), McGill University (Montreal, 26 October 2018)
- (A. Chirovsky) "The Maidan Revolution and the Role of Religious Communities in Ukraine," USIP Conference



Fr. Andriy Chirovsky, founder and first director of the Sheptytsky Institute, speaking at the US Institute of Peace in Washington DC on "Religious Freedom in the Ukraine-Russia Conflict."

- "Religious Freedom in the Ukraine – Russia Conflict," (31 October 2018) <https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/religious-freedom-in-the-ukraine-russia-conflict/>
- (B. Butcher) "Freedom within Limits (?): "Uniate" Theology between Catholic West and Orthodox East," Paper for the Ricoeur Unit at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature (Denver, 17-20 November 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "Making Meaning of Mary: Christian and Muslim Perspectives on Images (Actual and Virtual) of the Mother of Jesus," Respondent for co-sponsored session of the Comparative Theology Unit and the Eastern Orthodox Studies Unit at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Religion/Society of Biblical Literature (Denver, 17-20 November 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "What Hath Ricoeur to do with Schmemmann?" Presentation to the Toronto School of Theology Liturgy Seminar (Toronto, 21 November 2018)
- (B. Butcher) "Salvation in the Church Fathers," Presentation to St. Moses and St. Katherine Coptic Orthodox Church (Toronto, 14 December 2018)



Dr. Jaroslav Skira (right), acting director of the Sheptytsky Institute during the Fall Semester, is pictured with the Rev. Dr. Myroslaw Tataryn (left) and the Rev. Dr. Nicholas Denysenko during the launch of the latter's book, *The Orthodox Church in Ukraine: A Century of Separation*. The event was organized by Dr. Skira and took place at the Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy.

Winter 2019

- (B. Butcher) "Art, Iconography and the Jesus Prayer," Presentation to "Feast and Faith": A Ministry of the Christian Reformed Church's Campus Chaplaincy, University of Ottawa, 8 January 2019
- (B. Butcher) "City and Wilderness: Opportunities, Tensions, Responsibilities": 2019 Student Research Colloquium. Respondent for Panel 1: "The City, Society, and Modernity," USMC, 26 January 2019
- (A. Babynskiy) "The Consequences of the Autocephaly of the Orthodox Church in Ukraine: Local and Global Perspectives," St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Shrine, Ottawa, 29 January 2019
- (B. Butcher) "How do you as a scholar understand the place and role of theology in your engagement (professional and personal) with the Bible?" Panelist at the Toronto School of Theology Graduate Students' Association's Annual Conference ("The Role of the Bible in Theological Studies": Toronto, 22 March 2019)
- (M. Ivaniv) "Lumen Gentium and Collegiality – Its Biblical Roots, and the Title "Mediatrice": A Ukrainian Point of View," Graduate Students Association Conference in the Toronto School of Theology, March 2019
- (M. Ivaniv) "The Work of the Redemptorist Fathers and Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate among Ukrainian Immigrants to Canada at the End of 19th and First Half of the 20th Century," 2019 Eastern International Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, McGill University, Montreal, April 2019
- (A. Laschuk) "East Meets West – Understanding Marriage Issues Involving Eastern Catholics," Saint Paul University Canon Law Webinars, April 2019
- (A. Babynskiy) "The UGCC in the XXI Century: Visions and Challenges, St. Nicholas Church, Toronto, 4 April 2019
- (A. Babynskiy) "The Patriarchal Movement of the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church as a Diasporic Phenomenon," The Eastern International Regional Meeting of the American Academy of Religion, McGill University, Montreal, 13 April 2019
- (B. Butcher) "Liturgical Singing as a Source and Criterion for Philosophical Aesthetics," Paper for the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion-Eastern International Region, Montreal, 13-14 April 2019
- (A. Laschuk) "The Right of Defense: Friend or Foe?" Minneapolis Province of Canonists, Buffalo, MI, May 2019
- (A. Laschuk) "Clerical Concubinage: An Ancient Crime for the Modern Church," Minneapolis Province of Canonists, Buffalo, MI, May 2019
- (A. Laschuk) "Amor coniugal in Rotal Jurisprudence," Minneapolis Province of Canonists, Buffalo, MI, May 2019
- (A. Laschuk) "The *Ius Appellandi* in a Post-Mitis World," Minneapolis Province of Canonists, Buffalo, MI, May 2019
- (B. Butcher) "John the Theologian and His Paschal Gospel," Respondent for the Launch of Fr. John Behr's book (Co-sponsored by the Orthodox School of Theology at Trinity College and Wycliffe College, 22 May 2019
- (P. Galadza) Invited Keynote Lecture: Annual Hillenbrand Lecture, "The Genius of the Byzantine-Slav Chant Tradition," The Liturgical Institute, University of St. Mary of the Lake, Mundelein, IL, 20 June 2018



Dr. Brian Butcher was one of the respondents at the launch of Fr. John Behr's ground-breaking publication, John the Theologian and His Paschal Gospel. Fr. Behr is former dean of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary in New York and one of contemporary Orthodoxy's most creative thinkers.



Every year, Dr. Brian Butcher leads a group of young scholars to the regional meeting of the American Academy of Religion. This year the meeting took place at McGill University. Here, Anatolii Babynskiy and Maria Ivaniv present during one of the sessions. Maria was sponsored as a PhD student this year by the national executive of the Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada to mark its 75th anniversary.

Other Events — and Visits



On October 19, the Institute welcomed Their Royal Highnesses Crown Prince Andrew and Crown Princess Katherine of Serbia. <https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/masi-usmc-welcome-their-royal-highnesses-crown-prince-andrew-and-crown-princess-katherine-of-serbia/>



A well-known Ukrainian Canadian iconographer, Marianna Savaryn, led an icon-painting workshop over two weekends in February, 2019, organized by Oriana Bertucci and Olenka Hanushevsky Galadza.



On June 12, 2018, the Sheptytsky Institute welcomed esteemed guests and supporters at a farewell reception for outgoing President of USMC, David Mulroney. Institute Council member Olena Laschuk is shown speaking with USMC principal, Dr. Randy Boyagoda, during the event.

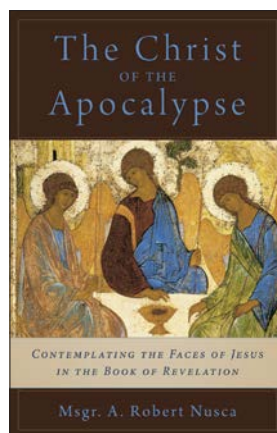


Among the frequent visitors to the Sheptytsky Institute are scholars like Prof. Vlad Naumescu (left) of the Central European University in Budapest, and Prof. Catherine Wanner of Pennsylvania State University. Owing to their professional interest in the religious scene in Ukraine they were especially happy to meet with Anatolii Babynsky, a research fellow at the Sheptytsky Institute, who was sponsored in 2018-2019 by the Catholic Near East Welfare Association.

Tuesdays at Sheptytsky Lecture Series

Fall 2018

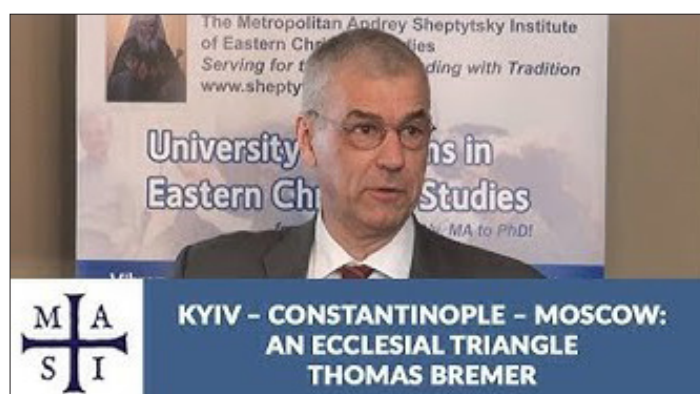
- September 18 - "Who's Who at the Sheptytsky Institute and What are They Researching? An Afternoon with Anatolii Babinsky, Brian Butcher, Daniel Galadza, Peter Galadza, Maria Ivaniv, Alexander Laschuk and Jaroslav Skira."
- September 25 - "Church Singing in the Kyivan Churches in the Era of Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky (1865-1944)," Daniel Galadza
- October 2 - "The Christ of the Apocalypse: Contemplating the Face of Jesus in the Book of Revelation," Msgr. Robert Nusca (respondent Ephraim Radner)
- October 9 - "Sasanian Persia: The Other Christian Empire," Michael Bonner
- October 16 - "'Fides quaerens ... quid?' - Toward an Orthodox Approach to the History of Christian Doctrine," James Payton
- November 6 - "'Unto Ages of Ages': The Development of Christian Usages of the Terms Saeculum and Αἰών in Late Antiquity," Susan Dunning
- November 13 - "εὖ Θάνατος: MAiD in Canada - Canada's Experience with Euthanasia and Assisted-Suicide One Year after Legalization," Pascal Bastien
- November 20 - "(St.) Severus of Antioch: Heresiarch or Hero?" Andrew Youssef
- November 27 - "'It is Easier for a Camel to Enter through the Eye of a Needle' (Matt. 19:24): Christian Views on Wealth from East to West," Andrew Dunning
- December 4 - "'Good' Faith & 'Bad' Faith': The Place of Magico-Religious Traditions in Ethiopian Christianity," Augustine Dickinson



Msgr. Robert Nusca, former rector of St. Augustine Seminary, presents his latest book, The Christ of the Apocalypse: Contemplating the Face of Jesus in the Book of Revelation, with Ephraim Radner of Wycliffe College as respondent.



Dr. Daniel Galadza, sessional lecturer for the Sheptytsky Institute in the Fall term, presents on the history of church singing in Kyivan churches in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.



Dr. Thomas Bremer, professor of Eastern Church Studies and Peace Studies at the University of Muenster, an expert on Christianity in Russia and Ukraine, speaks during a special lecture at the Institute.

Tuesdays at Sheptytsky Lecture Series (cont'd)

Winter 2019



Dr. Nicole Roccas of the Orthodox School of Theology at Trinity College speaks on the passion of akedia.

- January 15 - "Iconography of the Ukrainian Churches in Canada" Sterling Demchinsky
- January 22 - "Political Art in the Vatican Museum: Jan Matejko's "Sobieski at Vienna, 1683" and Eastern Christianity," Thomas Prymak
- January 29 - "Living God's Story: Strengthening Liturgical Participation and Christian Formation through the Renewal of Enacted Narrative in the Orthodox Divine Liturgy," Fr. Geoffrey Ready
- February 5 - "'Breathing with Both Lungs': The Spirituality of Madonna House," Victoria Fausto of Madonna House
- February 26 - "Akedia (ἀκηδία): The Most Temporal Passion?" Nicole Roccas
- March 12 - "Fiqh al-dhimma: Juridic Attitudes towards Byzantine Christians in Islamic Sicily (9th-11th Centuries)," Zack Candy
- March 19 - "Robert Grosseteste (ca. 1170-1253) and Byzantine Theology," James Ginther
- March 26 - "Theosis in the Western Church: Forgotten but not Gone," Liam Farrer
- April - "Byzantine Spirituality and the Tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola," Richard Bernier



Victoria Fausto and Veronica Dudych presented on the spirituality of Madonna House, the community to which they both belong.



Prof. James Ginther, Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the University of St. Michael's College, speaks on a mediaeval Western theologian's engagement with Byzantine theology.

The Sheptytsky Institute's Academic Journal, **Logos: A Journal of Eastern Christian Studies**

The Institute's publication, *Logos*, revived in 1993 by Fr. Andriy Chirovsky, remains Canada's only peer-reviewed academic journal in Eastern Christian Studies. The first series (1950-1983) had been founded and edited by the late Metropolitan Maxim Hermaniuk, CSsR.



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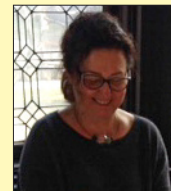
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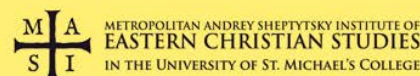
The Sheptytsky Institute is blessed to have two worship sites: the St. Sophia Chapel, on the ground floor of Elmsley Hall, where services in the Byzantine tradition are served; and the Coptic Oratory, on the second floor of Windle House. "If you pray, you are a theologian; and if you are a theologian, you pray."



St. Sophia Chapel in Elmsley Hall



Coptic Oratory in Windle House



ST. SOPHIA CHAPEL (September 2018) - Eastern Christian Worship at U of T!

Located in **ELMSLEY HALL** (first floor), 81 St. Mary Street.

Services are predominantly in English, unless otherwise noted. Depending on the availability of clergy, Matins (Morning Prayer) & Vespers (Evening Prayer) may be led by either a **Greco-Catholic** or **Orthodox** priest, or prayed as a **Reader's Service**. Divine Liturgy (Eucharist) is offered by a Greco-Catholic priest, unless otherwise noted. **N.B.** Some services--indicated with an asterisk (*)--are sponsored by the [University of Toronto Orthodox Christian Fellowship](#).

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| 10 7:45 am Matins 4:15 pm Vespers | 11 7:45 am Matins 5 pm Vespers* | 12 Leavetaking of the Nativity 7:45 am Matins in Greek & English 4:15 pm Vespers | 13 7:45 am Matins 4:15 pm Great Vespers | 14 Exaltation of the Cross 7:45 am Festal Matins in Slavonic & English with Rite of Exposition 9 am DIVINE LITURGY NO VESPERS |
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A Sample of the Institute's Chapel Schedule, September 2018.

Sheptytsky Institute Choir



MASI Choir, under the direction of Dr. Brian Butcher, performing at Ottawa's Notre Dame Cathedral, December 2018.

The MASI Choir performances this past season include:

- Concert for the Capital Ukrainian Festival at St. John the Baptist Shrine, Ottawa (July 22, 2018)
- Concert and Vespers at Notre Dame Cathedral, Ottawa (December 9, 2018)
- Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Annunciation at St. John the Baptist Shrine, Ottawa (March 25, 2019)
- Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts at St. John the Baptist Shrine, Ottawa (April 17, 2019)

Student Life



Associates of the Sheptytsky Institute after a pizza party celebrating the end of the Winter semester.

On any given day, one will find various students in the Sheptytsky Institute's second-floor lounge doing everything from studying to napping to just enjoying each other's company. Between classes Nick Hladio and his three amigos regularly use the lounge, and are pictured here on their way to a tutorial elsewhere on campus.



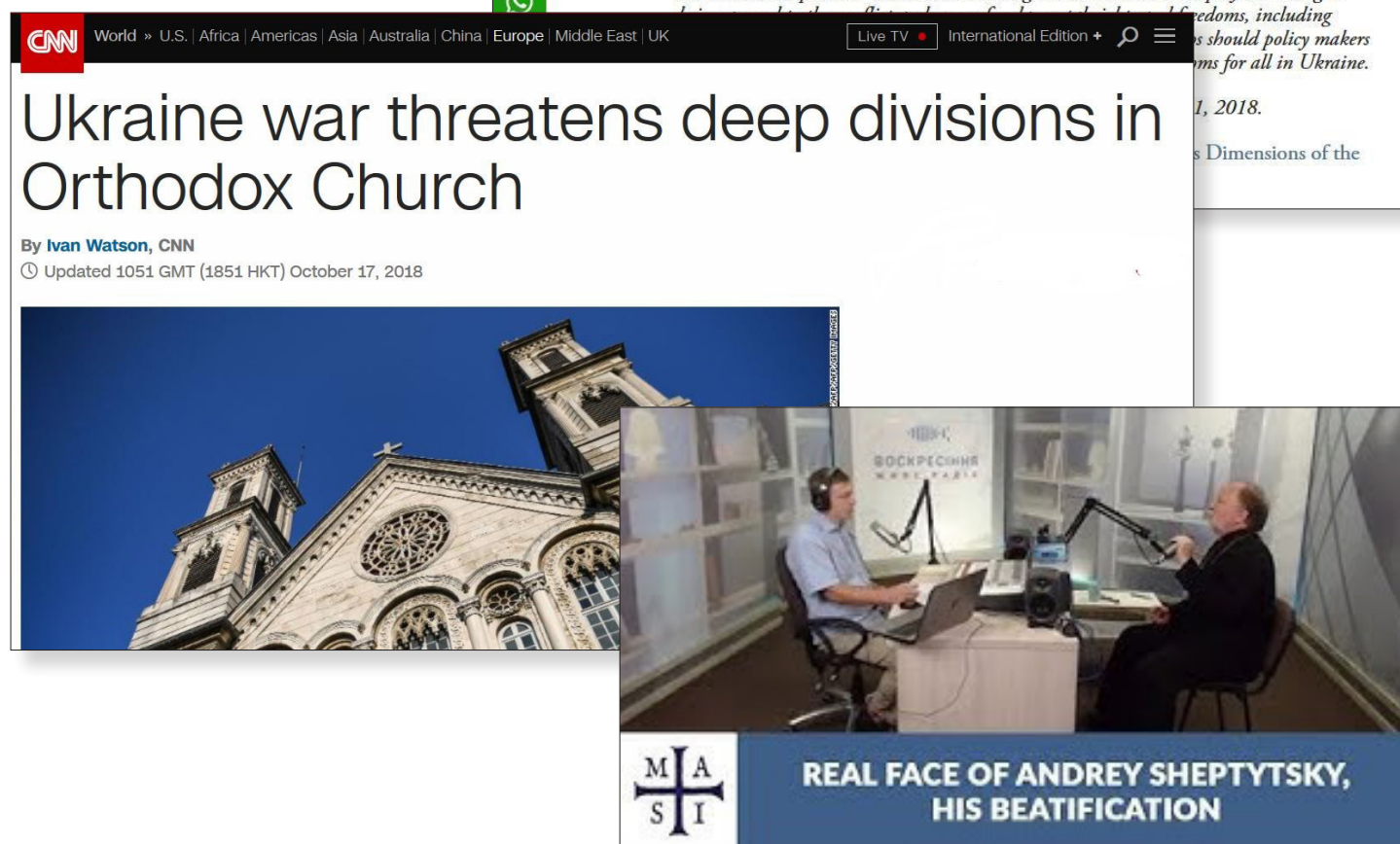
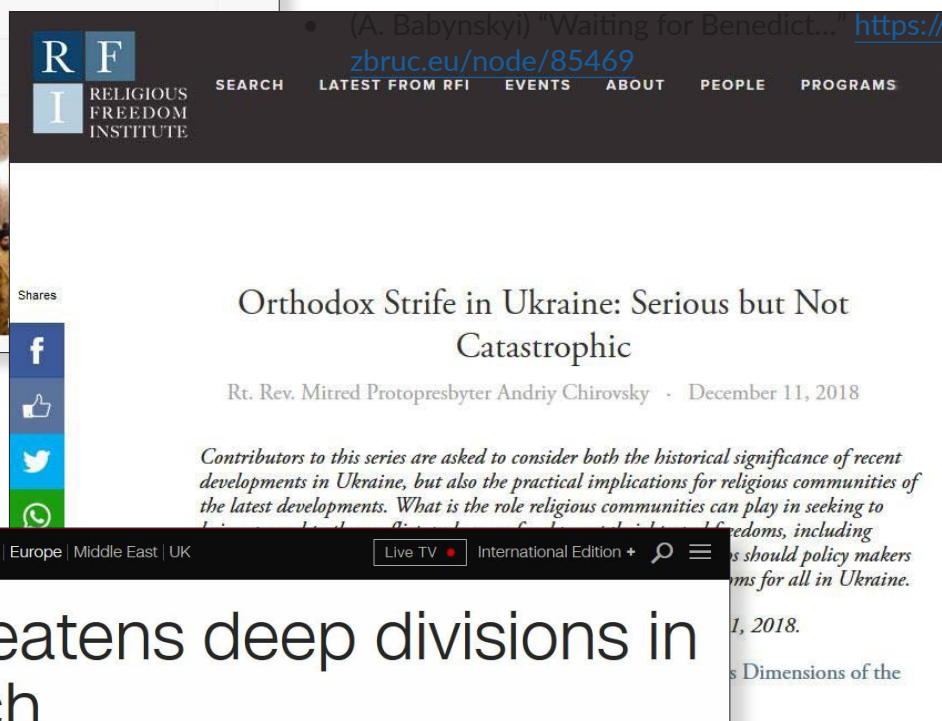
Media Appearances

A selection of some of the media coverage of the Sheptytsky Institute's activities.



Blog Posts

- (A. Babynskyi) "Ecumenical Perspectives on Ukrainian Autocephaly." <https://risu.org.ua/ua/index/blog/~anatolius/73094/>
- (A. Babynskyi) "Orthodoxy: On the Verge of a New Epoch." <https://zbruc.eu/node/83670>
- (A. Babynskyi) "Habemus Metropolitam." <https://zbruc.eu/node/85414>
- (A. Babynskyi) "Waiting for Benedict..." <https://zbruc.eu/node/85469>



True Light

The Sheptytsky Institute's New Podcast

In January 2019 the Sheptytsky Institute debuted its podcast, "True Light" on iTunes. Initiated and produced by Dr. Pascal Bastien, a member of the Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky Institute Foundation (MASIF), "True Light" has published episodes on a variety of topics including the Feast of Theophany; Canon Law and Prayer; The Holy Mysteries of Christian Life, The Divine Liturgy and Prayer, etc.

"True Light" is available on iTunes and the MASI Web site:

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/true-light/id1448517556>

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Outreach Activities

- (M. Ivaniv) Led a Retreat, "Three Steps to the Resurrection," Ukrainian Catholic Women's League of Canada, Scarborough, ON (1 March 2019)
- (M. Ivaniv) Sheptytsky Institute Representative to USMC Faculty of Theology Liturgical Committee
- (A. Laschuk) Attended conference "Canadian Canon Law Society," Hamilton ON (October 2018) and "Canon Law Society of America," Phoenix (October 2018)



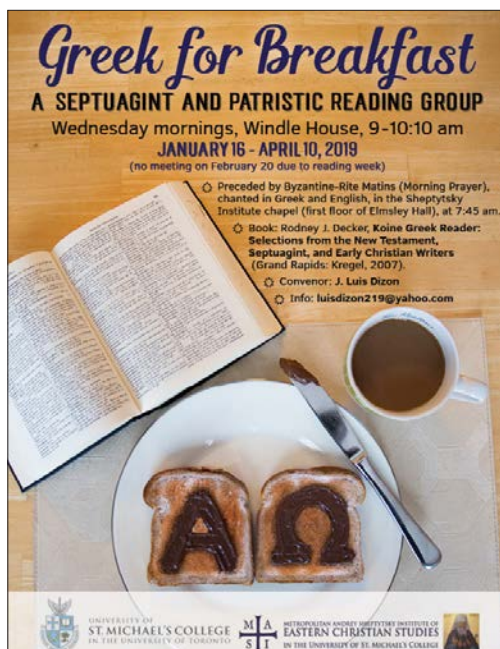
Kalore Jingmei Cao, a student at the Ontario College of Art and Design (OCAD), finishes an icon during the workshop taught by Marianna Savaryn.



Associates of the Sheptytsky Institute participated again in the annual March for Life on Parliament Hill in Ottawa in May, 2019. Every year, the Institute sponsors the concluding prayer service, Moleben.



Danylo Kolasa, a seminarian from Vienna, who audited courses during the 2018 Summer semester, was proposed by the Institute to speak to members of the Ukrainian youth organization, C.Y.M., in Acton, Ontario. He engaged the young people with a fascinating presentation on the nature of true freedom.



Fr. Alexander Laschuk (right) after presenting a paper at the CARDUS Religious Institute's Decretum Seminar in Ottawa, October, 2018. Deacon Andrew Bennett (left) a member of the MASI Foundation, moderates the Q&A.

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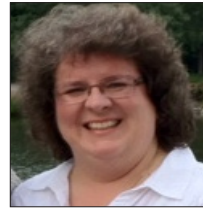
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Sheptytsky Institute Publications Sales

For years, the Sheptytsky Institute has been hoping to make available online its sizeable stock of publications and other products. Thanks to the tireless work of William Szuch, the hope was finally realized this year.

In late-June 2018 MASI quietly unveiled a no-frills shopping cart for its Web site (<https://www.sheptytskyinstitute.ca/>). The first online sale - \$30 for *Pray for God's Wisdom* by Fr. Chirovsky - was received from California on June 28. In less than ten months since (28 June 2018 - 14 April 2019) the MASI Web site received 105 orders for 266 items generating \$8,482 in revenue.

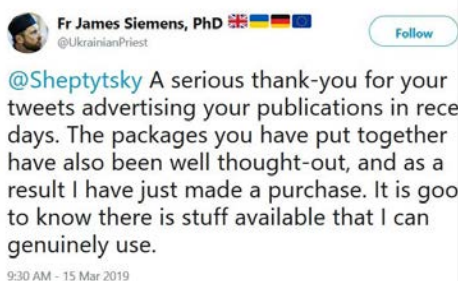
Products sold include 148 books, 33 journals, 12 journal subscriptions, 52 CDs, 15 DVDs, 3 poster sets, and 3 card sets. Orders were received from Canada (6 provinces), U.S.A. (30 states), UK, Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Romania, Australia, and Puerto Rico.

In addition to seeing record Web site traffic, MASI was on track to pass \$10,000 in online sales within its first 12 months of operation. Unfortunately, the shopping cart was suspended by PayPal on April 14-15 due to technical difficulties.

Despite this temporary setback, MASI has proven that selling publications through its Web site directly to customers reveals a greater demand for its inventory of scholarly publications than previously believed. As a result, the Institute has a small, but new and growing revenue stream.

Owning and controlling its own online shopping cart provides MASI several advantages: monetization of inventory, reduction in inventory, full ownership of sales revenue, control and flexibility over pricing and sales, elimination of expensive distribution costs which typically consume 40-60% of gross revenue.

Presently, less than one-quarter of MASI's entire catalogue is offered online for sale. The addition of further titles should grow Web sales. Future expansion of this new revenue stream include selling direct digital downloads files of the entire LOGOS catalogue. In sum, MASI could realistically expect to generate as much as \$20K in annual Web sales revenue.



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Welcome to our Fall Newcomers!

Nathan B. Williams of Massachusetts has been admitted into the PhD program in theology and will be working with Fr. Peter Galadza as his doctoral supervisor. Nathan holds two Masters degrees in theology, one from Boston College and the other from Notre Dame University. His many activities have included work as an instructor in the English Summer School of the Ukrainian Catholic University; editor of the Graduate Student Journal of the Boston College School of Theology and Ministry; and Coordinator for the Angelico Icon-writing Workshop, a week-long retreat for adults focused on the prayer and technique of Byzantine-style icon writing. Nathan has also served as chairman of the Voci Nuove Chamber Choir of Cork City, Ireland.



Fr. Richard René of British Columbia will also be working with Fr. Peter Galadza on his PhD in theology. Fr. Richard is a priest of the Orthodox Church in America, and has worked as Site Chaplain at the Kent Institution in Agassiz, BC, where he engaged in various forms of prison ministry, including the programs Houses of Healing and Inner Cell. From 2005 to 2012 he served as the priest at Saint Aidan Orthodox Mission in Cranbrook, BC. Fr. Richard received his M.Div. from St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary in New York in 2004. In addition to numerous articles posted at www.anonymouspriest.net, and the "Mysterion" podcast with Ancient Faith Ministries, Fr. Richard has published the Young Adult fantasy adventure series: The Hidden Island (2017), The Falls of Mysterion, (2018), and The Ordeal of Windfire (2018), all with Waystone Press.



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