

## CONFERENCE VENUE

Mary Immaculate College,  
S.C. Road, Limerick  
Tara Building  
9.30 am – 5.00 pm



### REGISTRATION DETAILS

The Conference is open to everyone.  
**ADMISSION IS FREE BUT REGISTRATION IS ESSENTIAL.**

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Please register early as places are limited.  
Registration will close on October 1st, 2017

### IRISH PROVINCE OF AUGUSTINIAN FRIARS

The Augustinians arrived in Ireland around the year 1275. Within a few years they had established quite a few houses which were located in many different parts of the island. Things were to change with the advent of the Reformation which saw most of those houses being closed although some friars did remain in the country. Currently the Augustinians have ten communities in Ireland. If you would like to know more about the Augustinians see [www.augustinians.ie](http://www.augustinians.ie) or contact your local priory. In Limerick, contact: The Prior, Augustinian Community, O'Connell Street.

### DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY & RELIGIOUS STUDIES MARY IMMACULATE COLLEGE, LIMERICK

The Department of Theology and Religious Studies at Mary Immaculate College provides undergraduate courses in Theology and Religious Studies to students enrolled in Liberal Arts and Education degrees (Limerick campus) and in the BA in Education with Religious Studies (Thurles campus). From September 2017 Theology and Religious Studies will also be offered to students enrolled in a new joint BA programme between MIC and UL. The Department also provides a Taught Master's in Christian Leadership in Education (Limerick and at the Marino Institute of Education, Dublin). It also enrolls students for research degrees at both Masters and Doctoral level. Visit:

<http://www.mic.ul.ie/academicdepts/theology/Pages/default.aspx>



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## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

- 9.30 Opening Addresses  
**Fr. Alejandro Moral Antón OSA**  
Prior General of the Augustinian Order  
**Fr. John Hennebray OSA**  
Prior Provincial of the Irish Province of Augustinians
- 9.45 **Prof. Carlos Eire: *Luther's Redefinition of the Sacred?***
- 11.00 Coffee Break
- 11.20 **Prof. Marian Lyons: *Cuius regio, eius religio: Ireland's Magisterial Reformation in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries***
- 12.10 **Dr. Colmán Ó Clabaigh: *From Reform to Reformation: The Augustinian Friars in Fifteenth and Sixteenth-Century Ireland***
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.00 **Dr. Kieran O'Mahony OSA: *Sola Scriptura: What Did it Mean? And What Became of it?***
- 14.40 **Archbishop Michael Jackson: *Is the Reformation still to happen?***
- 15.20 Short break
- 15.30 **Bishop Brendan Leahy: *From Conflict to Dialogue***
- 16.00 **Dr. Jim Puglisi: *"I think that Martin Luther's intentions were not mistaken"* ( Pope Francis) 50 Years of Dialogue and Three Pillars: Church, Ministry, Eucharist**
- 16.45 Concluding Remarks
- Sunday Oct 8th, 11.15 am. Mass at St. Augustine's Limerick to mark the conclusion of the conference

The Irish Province of the Augustinian Friars  
in association with: The Department of Theology & Religious Studies,  
Mary Immaculate College, Limerick,

Presents

## A Conference Marking the Fifth Centenary of Martin Luther's Reformation



**"OUT OF LOVE FOR THE TRUTH  
AND FROM DESIRE TO  
ELUCIDATE IT"**

(Luther's 95 Theses)

October 7th, 2017, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick

Speakers:

**Prof Carlos Eire, Yale**

**Archbishop Michael Jackson, Dublin**

**Bishop Brendan Leahy, Limerick**

**Prof Marian Lyons, Maynooth**

**Dr Colmán Ó Clabaigh, Glenstal**

**Dr Kieran O'Mahony, Dublin**

**Dr James Puglisi, Rome**





The Reformation launched by the Augustinian friar, Martin Luther, when he publicly posted his 95 theses in October 1517, was a crucial turning point in history and its consequences still impact on us to this day. The first part of the Conference will explore the beginnings of this Reformation, how it impacted on Ireland and on the Augustinian friars. The second part will explore the theological dimensions of the Lutheran Reformation and the current state of agreements between Roman Catholics and Lutherans.

Eugene Duffy, Lecturer in Theology & Religious at Mary Immaculate College, Conference Co-Convenor



The Irish Province of Augustinians is delighted to be able to offer you this conference on the history and thought of the Augustinian friar, Martin Luther, in conjunction with Mary Immaculate College. As Augustinians we are committed to sharing our search for God in our community and with anyone who is also searching. We believe that it is by sharing that search together that we come to know God and ourselves in a fuller way. Luther's particular search led him down unexpected paths. At different times in history some of these paths were marked by conflict and division among Christians, but Luther's courageous search for God has ultimately enriched our own searching for each one of us. To search for God is to undertake a challenge that is both worthwhile and enriching. It is also something that we cannot not do, because, as Augustine says: "our hearts are restless until they rest in God."

Noel Hession, Prior, St. Augustines Church Limerick, Conference Co-Convenor



**Carlos Eire** is T. L. Riggs Professor of History and Religious Studies at Yale University, where he has served as chair of the Department of Religious Studies and the Renaissance Studies Program. He has taught at St. John's University in Minnesota and the University of Virginia, and has been a Fulbright scholar in Spain, and a Member and Fellow of the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton. He is the author of *War Against the Idols* (1986), *From Madrid to Purgatory* (1995), *A Very Brief History of Eternity* (2009), and *Reformations: The Early Modern World* (2016). He is a past president of the American Society for Reformation Research.



**Michael Jackson**, has been Archbishop of Dublin, Bishop of Glendalough and Primate of Ireland since 2011. He has held many positions in the Church of Ireland. He plays an active role in the wider Anglican Communion, especially in the areas of ecumenism and inter-faith dialogue. He also serves as Co-chairman of the Anglican-Lutheran Porvoo Communion.



**Brendán Leahy** was appointed Bishop of Limerick in 2013. He was a professor of systematic theology at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth until his appointment as Bishop. He served as chairman of the Dublin Diocesan Commission for Ecumenism and is currently Chair of the Ecumenical Advisory Committee of the Irish Catholic Bishops Conference and Co-Chair of the Irish Inter-Church Meeting. He has published extensively on various theological topics.



**Colmán Ó Clabaigh** OSB is a monk of Glenstal and a medievalist specializing in the history of monastic and religious orders in Late Medieval Ireland. He is the author of *The Franciscans in Ireland 1400-1540* (Dublin, 2002) and *The Friars in Ireland, 1224-1540* (Dublin, 2012).



**Marian Lyons** is Professor of History at Maynooth University. Her publications include *France and Ireland, 1500-1610: Politics, Migration and Trade* (London, 2003; 2015 pbk edn); *Church and Society in County Kildare, c.1470-1547* (Dublin, 2000); (with Thomas O'Connor) *Strangers to Citizens: the Irish in Europe, 1600-1800* (Dublin, 2008), and with James Kelly *The Proclamations of Ireland 1660-1820* (5 vols, IMC, Dublin, 2014). Author of *The Onset of Religious Reform, 1460-1550* in the forthcoming *Cambridge History of Ireland*, vol. 1, ed. Brendan Smith (Cambridge, 2018), she is Conference Secretary and Trustee of the Catholic Historical Society of Ireland, and joint organiser of the international *Reformation 500 Conference* (Dublin, October 2017).



**Kieran J. O'Mahony** OSA is an Augustinian priest and biblical scholar. He works as the Academic Coordinator of Biblical Studies in the Archdiocese of Dublin and is currently one of two ecumenical canons at St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin. Previously he was Associate Professor and Head of Department of Scripture at the Milltown Institute of Theology and Philosophy. Kieran's professional training included philosophy, systematic theology, education, and biblical studies in Maynooth, Dublin, Rome, and Jerusalem.



**James F. Puglisi** SA is a Franciscan Friar of the Atonement and holds doctorates from the Institut Catholique de Paris obtaining the Grand Doctorat es Théologie State research doctorate, in systematic theology, and he obtained a Ph.D at the University of Paris-Sorbonne in the History of religions and religious anthropology. He has served on several projects of the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches dealing with Baptism and Christian Initiation as well as ordained ministry. He was Co-editor of the series: *Enchiridion Œcumenicum*. 6 Volumes. Since 1991, he has been director of the Centro Pro Unione, a Ministry of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement in Rome.



"Theses Doors", commemorating Luther's 95 Theses were installed at All Saints' Church, Wittenberg on Luther's 375th birthday in 1858.



Augustinian Friars gathered at their Provincial Chapter



A group of lay people who were affiliated as members of the Order (Drogheda)



International Augustinian Youth Meeting



Theology & Religious Studies graduating students at MIC



Augustinian Friary Adare