SYLLABUS

A. SACRED SCRIPTURE

SS01  Pentateuch   2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Madalamuthu

SS02  Prophets  3 Credits

The Prophets and Their History in Israel at the Back ground of Prophetic Phenomenon in the Ancient Near East – Survey of the Pre-Classical Prophets and Their Ministry – A Brief Study of the Literary Forms of the Prophetic Writing and Their Ministry – Symbolic Actions of the Prophets – The Socio-Politico-Religious Background, the Call, Person and the Message of the Major and Minor Prophets.

Bibliography


Fr. C. Lawrence

SS03  Synoptic Gospels  3 Credits

Origin and the Formation of the Canonical Gospels in Relation to the Gospel (Jesus Christ) – Form Criticism – The Synoptic Problem – Synoptic Order, Authorship, Date and Structure of the Synoptic Gospel –

Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas

SS05 Luke & Acts 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. C. Lawrence

SS06 Gospel of John 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. C. Lawrence
SS 07 Apocalyptic Literature and Revelation of John 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas

SS08 Pauline Letters 7 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas, Fr. C. Lawrence & Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu

SS09 Catholic Epistles & Letter to the Hebrews 2 Credits

Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas & Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu

SS10 Biblical Greek and Hebrew 2 Credits

Elementary Grammar and Considerable Vocabulary are Taught in Order to Read the New Testament in Greek and to Have Familiarity with Several Expressions in Greek and Hebrew.

Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu

SS11 Infancy & Passion and Resurrection Narratives 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. C. Lawrence & Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu
SS12 Sermon on the Mount & Our Father  1 Credit

A Special Study on the Context and Purpose of the Sermon on the Mount in Mathew – A Comparative Study of the Sermon on the Mount and the Sermon on the Plain.

Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas

SS13 Parables of Jesus  1 Credit

A Literary Analysis of the Gospel Parables, Their Purpose and Their Importance in Conveying the Message of Jesus. The Parables explain about the kingdom of God and the messianic values.

Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas

SS18 Miracles of Jesus  2 Credits

This course deals with the Miracles of Jesus taking into consideration the perspective of each Synoptic Gospel.

Bibliography


Fr. S. Stanislas

SS28 Biblical Hermeneutics  2 Credits

This course aims at introducing to the students the various methods of Biblical interpretation so that they are helped to read and interpret the Biblical texts with facility in their pastoral ministry.

Bibliography

Fr. S. Stanislas

SS31 History of Ancient Israel   2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu

SS32 Historical Books   2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Madalaimuthu

SS33 Wisdom Literature   2 Credits

Bibliography


Fr. C. Lawrence

B. SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY

ST01 Introduction to Theology & Church Documents 1 Credit

This course aims to familiarize students with the process of doing theology in the religious, social, cultural, economic, and political contexts of India. This course will include: What is Theology? Different Types, Models and Understanding of Theology – Functions of Theology – Divisions and Branches of Theology – Theology and Other Sciences – Theologising in Today’s Context – Theology as a Critical Reflection of Faith Praxis – Pastoral Dimensions of the Study of Theology and an introduction to Dogmas, Doctrines and Papal Documents. This course will help the students to become aware of the contemporary realities, and to begin theological reflection on their faith-experience.

Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

STO2 Revelation and Faith 3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

STO3 Christology 3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

STO4 The Mystery of God and Blessed Trinity 2 Credits

Testament – The Confession of Trinity in the Tradition and in the Councils – Development of the Theology of the Trinity – Relevance of Trinity to One’s Spiritual Life and Apostolate.

Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

STO5 Ecclesiology 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

STO6 Mariology 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach
**STO7 Christian Anthropology  3 Credits**

The objective of this course is to develop an integral Christian vision of the reality of God-World-Self-Society from the perspective of human experience enlightened by divine revelation and the teachings of the Church, using the Christic paradigm to interpret and understand the totality of human reality encompassing the origins, the development and continuity. This course will include: analysis, interpretation and understanding of human experience – The Story of Creation: Creation as Grace, Historical Aetiology, Cosmic and Anthropomorphic View of Creation, Evolution, Scientific theories and consequences– Original Sin: Origin, development and significance of the doctrine - Dynamics of Grace, Freedom and Sin – Jesus Christ as the hermeneutic key to interpret and understand God-World-Self-Society – Human’s in God’s Image and Human Dignity - Theological significance of Human Labour / Activity – The Death of God Theology – Attributes of God & Providence and Anthropology of Gaudium et Spes.

After the detailed study of the subject, the students will be introduced to the newer perspectives on the human person. This will help to identify the specific questions and challenges that, especially in Indian context, require more serious study and greater fortitude.

**Bibliography**


**Sto8 General Introduction to Sacraments  2 Credits**


**Bibliography**

STO9 Baptism and Confirmation  
2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. S. Emmanuel

ST10 Holy Eucharist  
3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. M. Jerome Sandanasamy

ST11 Holy Orders  
2 Credits


Bibliography

Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

ST12 Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick 1 Credit


Bibliography

Fr. M.Leo William

ST13 Theology of Grace and Pneumatology 3 Credits


Bibliography

Fr. M. Jerome Sandanasaamy

ST14 Ecumenism  1 Credit


Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

ST15 Eschatology  2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. M. Leo William

ST16 Spiritual Theology  1 Credit

Bibliography


Fr. R. Joseph Gerald

ST18 Missiology 3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. S. Emmanuel

ST19 Challenges to Evangelization 1 Credit

Bibliography


Fr. S. Emmanuel

ST20 Theology of the Poor  1 Credit

It is a critical reflection of the oppressive phenomenon in the light of Christian Faith – The unique socio-political and cultural situation in India is analysed where massive poverty, discrimination and injustice in the name of caste, creed, gender, and economy save stifled the growth of people, and denied their realization of their personality as the children of God – God’s message for this People in this situation is sought for from the Scriptures and Magisterium – The Hermeneutical method of Latin American Liberation Theology can serve as inspiration for Theologizing process. This leads one to the reflection on the creative and liberative action of God in this situation in favour of the oppressed people in search of their lost humanity, in the forms of solidarity, support, struggle and protest against the evil of the society.

Bibliography


Fr. R. Joseph Gerald

ST22 Ecotheology  1 Credit

In the context of ecological degradation and ecological threats to the existence of universe and creatures, Ecotheology emphatically upholds the interrelation that exists between the Creator, human beings and creatures. The transcendent God is immanent in the creation hence they reflect God and thus receive a sacred character, Sin is to be seen as that which affects harmonious interrelationship between God,
humans and creation. Jesus, the promised Savior liberated humans and creation from the pangs of birth and made them enjoy once again the interrelation. The human responsibility towards creatures is to be carried out with affection and care as the steward of the Lord and never to entertain utilitarian attitude. Ecotheology pave s way for ecospirituality, ecopraxis and ecomission.

Bibliography


Fr. A. L. Christopher Roach

C. MORAL THEOLOGY

MT01 Fundamental Moral Theology  6 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Josephraj
MT02 Divine Worship, Honour, Truth, Fidelity  2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Josephraj

MT03 Social Ethics  6 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Josephraj

MT05 Ethics of Global Warming, Peace and War  2 Credits

Bibliography

5. NADIA, HIGGINS. “Can War be Justified?” in Catholic Digest, (March 2002), pp. 84-90.

Fr. A. Josephraj

MT06 Sexual Ethics  3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Josephraj

MT07 Bio-Medical Ethics  2 Credits

Bibliography

2. HAERING, BERNARD, Medical Ethics, Middle green, Slough: St. Paul Publications, 1982.

Fr. I. Sathian

MT09 Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation  3 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. L. Sagayaraj

MT10 Sacrament of Marriage  4 Credits

The Permanence of Marriage in the Hindu-Religious Traditions of India – Possible Interpretations of the Christian Understanding of the Unity and Indissolubility in the Hindu, Dravidian, and Tamil Cultural Context of India.

Bibliography


Fr. L. Sagayaraj

MT11 Theology of Communication 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Josephraj

D. PASTORAL THEOLOGY, PASTORAL COUNSELLING, CATECHETICS

PT01 Fundamental Pastoral Theology 2 Credits

Pastoral Theology as the Reflection on Ecclesial Action – Its Meaning, Nature and Method. Historical Development of Pastoral Theology as an Independent Branch of Theology – Theory and Practice of Theologizing with Special Reference to Indian Context – The Normative Role of the S. Scripture and...

Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Raj

PT02 Theology of Pastoral Ministry 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Raj

PT03 Pastoral Ministry to the Whole Man 2 Credits

Pastoral Ministry to People According to the Various Phases of Life: Pastoral Ministry to Children, Youth, Adults, Middle Aged and Elderly – Pastoral Ministry to Groups: Ministry to Families, Workers, Emigrants and Pious Associations – Crisis Ministry: Pastoral Ministry to the Sick, Dying, Poor, Alcoholics and Drug-Addicts.

Bibliography

5. PAUL WILSON, A., “Ministry to the Chronologically Gifted” in Vaiharai, 10 (July-December 2005) 2, pp. 56-84.

Fr. A. Antony Raj

**PT04 Pastoral Counseling** 2 Credits

This course addresses basic types of Pastoral Counseling commonly required in pastoral ministry. It seeks an integration of contemporary counseling theory and practice and it challenges seminarians to assimilate their understanding of ministry with Spirituality and Psychotherapy for Healing and Growth. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) is explored and employed as a primary mode of practice. The primary goal of this course is to help seminarians develop basic skills and methods in pastoral counseling.

**Bibliography**


Fr. A. Antony Raj

**PT05 Pastoral Clinical Psychology** 2 Credits

This course is a survey of psychopathology with a special focus on adult disorders as identified and described in the DSM-IV. The various contemporary views of abnormal behaviors in terms of individual, biological, and socially causative factors will be examined. Case presentations will be examined through theological, psychological and pastoral understandings as a way to inform effective pastoral interventions. It will also address specific dimensions of the aging process: physical, emotional, spiritual, and relational.

**Bibliography**

PT11 Pastoral Psychology 1 Credit

Applied Psychology - Application to Pastoral field: parish, school, etc. Adjustment Psychology - Stress management - Stress, Eustress and distress-tolerance-frustration, pain, pressure and anxiety based disorders like fear, compulsion behavior, etc. Community Psychology - Community mental health, Parish as community, community based problems, Community mental health, e.g. Alcoholism, drugs and the addictive instinct: internet, mobile phone, pornography, unemployment and underemployment. Common Abnormal behaviors - Anxiety, depression, etc. - Prolonged Deprivation and its psychological effects and poverty and its deprivation. Family Planning and its Psychological effects of Abortion, Surgical Contraception and contraception, Conformity behavior. Religious based Problems: Escapist behavior, Mass Behavior etc. Method– basing on available study materials, experience and case studies.

Bibliography


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PT07 Spiritual Counseling 1 Credit

This course is designed to allow seminarians to learn about themselves in ways that enhance their personal growth and to develop the skills to facilitate Spirit-centered Autobiography Groups effectively in their future pastoral ministry. In addition, the students will learn to develop sensitizing questions for each theme to foster growth in the Spirit.

Bibliography


Fr. A. Antony Raj

PT08 Catechetics 2 Credits
Catechesis as One of the Functions of Christian Initiation – Catechesis at the Service of the Word of God –
Catechesis in Christian Formation – Catechesis and New Evangelization – A Brief History of Catechesis –
Methodologies – The Art of Teaching Catechism – Formation of Various Manuals of Catechesis – A Study
of Catechesi Tradende of Pope John Paul II – Introduction to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Bibliography

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3. CHOONDAL GILBERT, “Catechism of the Catholic Church and Its Relevance” in Kristu Jyoti, 25
4. JOSEPH CHRISTIN, “Small Christian Communities (SCCs) as Locus for Adult Catechesis” in Word
& Worship, 2 (October–December 2012) 5, pp. 219-246.
102-112.

Fr. S. Gerald

PT09 Basic Christian Communities 1 Credit

The Church in Asia will have to be a communion of communities where laity, religious and clergy recognize
and accept each other as sisters and brothers. It has to be a participatory church and witnessing Church.
It is possible through BECs. Thus BECs help us to be and to act as a new way of being Church. The universal
Church approves them. Federation of Asian Bishops’ Conference recommends them. Catholic Bishops’
Conference of India and Tamilnadu Bishops’ Council recognize the need of BECs. As the formation of BECs
is considered to be the pastoral priority by the Tamilnadu Bishops, this course would explore the teachings
of the Church on BECs, Theology of BECs, and the ways and means to form BECS (Anbiam) in Tamilnadu
context.

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Mary’s Church, 2007.
3. PAUL WILSON, P. A., Basic Ecclesial Communities as Centres and Means of Formative
Experience in View of Social Dignity in the Church and the Society of Tamilnadu/India, Rome:
Pontificia Universitas Urbaniana, 2009.

Fr. A. Antony Raj

E. PATROLOGY, CHURCH HISTORY AND LITURGY

CH01 Patrology 1 Credit

Bibliography


Fr. S. Emmanuel

CH03 Christian Antiquity (Till 699 AD)  2 Credits

General Introduction: Definition; Church: divine and Human; Internal and External aspect of Church History; Methodology of Church History and Sources and divisions. The World in which Church was born: Hellenistic culture - The pagan world - Roman Empire. The Jewish Christianity: Jewish Diaspora; Jesus of Nazareth; the first Christian Community of Jerusalem; the early persecutions; missionary tours of St. Paul; The first ecumenical council at Jerusalem; St. Peter in Rome and the expansion of the Church. The Holy Roman Empire and the Church. The development of the Church’s organization: the hierarchy; Eucharist, Baptism, Penance and marriage; Fasting and feasting; the religious life. The heresies & schisms. Christianity and Islam - The Golden age of Christian literature

CH04 Church History: Middle Ages (700-1303)  2 Credits


CH05 Church History- Modern Times: Part II (1303-1900)  1 Credit

Affirmation of the Doctrines challenged by the reformers & the Radical Reform in the Church - Council of Trent - New Religious Orders. Jansenism, Quietism and the Period of Enlightenment and Liberalism.
French Revolution and Pope Innocent X & Innocent XI - Gallicanism - Louise IX. Napoleon Bonaparte and the Vatican - Pope Pius IX, the First Vatican Council and Pope Leo XIII.

CH06 Church History - Modern Times: Part II (1900-2000)  1 Credit

It is important as believers to learn the history of the Church during this modern times. The different Popes and their understanding of the Church will be highlighted to the students especially Pope Pius X, Pope Benedict XV, Lateran Treaty, Second World War time, the Second Vatican Council, Pope Paul VI, Pope John Paul II till the present Pope Francis and their insights. The growth of the Indian and the Tamilnadu Church will be emphasized in this course.

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Liturgy

LG02 Liturgy of the Hours  2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. S. Emmanuel
LG03 The Eucharistic Liturgy  2 Credits


Bibliography

1. DRISCOLL, JEREMY, Theology at the Eucharistic Table, Roma: Centro Studi S. Anselmo, 2003.

Fr. S. Emmanuel

F. CANON LAW

CL01 General Norms  2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr.L. Sagayaraj
CL03 The People of God 2 Credits


Bibliography

4. SEBASTIAN, S., Structures Of Decision Making In The Local Church, TPI, Bangalore, 2001.

Fr. L. Sagayaraj

CL04 Teaching Office, Temporal Goods and Sanctions 2 Credits


Bibliography


Fr. L. Sagayaraj

CL05 Sanctifying Office 3 Credits

This course is concerned with the sacraments, sacramentals, cult of the saints and sacred places. While teaching the sacraments, it should be made clear that the sacraments should not be commercialised. One should not deny sacraments or funeral ceremony to the poor. With regard to mass offerings and intentions it is to be instructed that any appearance of trafficking is to be excluded from mass intentions.
Bibliography


Fr. L. Sagayaraj

CL06 Canonical Processes 1 Credit


Bibliography


Fr. L. Sagayaraj
Purpose of this class: Give you a general knowledge and appreciation of Sacred Scripture.

Syllabus See Edline.

Today’s Lesson: “God speaks to us through Scripture – even today.”

Homework Bring in item and write a paragraph.

16 Makeup of the Canon

4 Sections of Old Testament
1. Pentateuch
2. Historical Books
3. Wisdom Books
4. Prophetic Books

17 Makeup of the Canon (cont’)

4 Sections of New Testament
1. Gospels
3. Letters/Epistles
4. Revelation

Why STUDY the Bible? Details. Title. exam 1 sacred scripture. Description. notes.

the canon of scripture is the set determined selection of individual books which makes up the bible we use to study. Term. Kanon. the pentateuch (gk) 5 scrolls Torah- law 2. torah is made of 16 historical books 7 wisdom books 18 prophetic books 5 pentateuch. Term. divine dimension. Definition. 1. word of god (jesus) 2. one book-unity of the inspired word of god 3. the holy spirit is the principal author of scripture. Term. fundamentalism (why is it bad).