

Cistercian and Monastic Studies

2021 Conference

Western Michigan University
Program Schedule of Events
May 3-7, 2021

In Conjunction With The
**55th International Congress on
Medieval Studies**

May 3, Monday

6 pm EDT; 8:00 AM AEDT (Tuesday), Midnight (CET) (Monday)

Welcome: Jana Schulman

Keynote: *Medieval Cistercian nuns and reform of and within monastic life*

Elizabeth Freeman, University of Tasmania

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May 4, Tuesday

11 AM (EDT), 5 PM (CET)

Session I: **Monastic Theology and Friendship**

Organizer: John Bequette, University of Saint Francis

Presiding: Rozanne Elder, Western Michigan University

The Cistercian Contribution to the Twelfth-Century European Renaissance; Between Humanity of Christ and Spirituality of Human Being, between Allegory of Salvation and the Architecture Shaped by Light, Dariusz Tabor, The Pontifical University of John Paul II in Cracow

Faith in the Theology of Gueric of Igny, Paul Lockey, St. Mary's Seminary

After Aelred: Survivals of Friendship, Philip O'Mara, Bridgewater College

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May 5, Wednesday

11 AM (EDT), 5 PM (CET)

Session II: **Cistercian Writings**

Organizer: Marsha L. Dutton, Ohio University

Presiding: Daniel La Corte, St. Ambrose University

Geoffrey of Auxerre's Expositio in Cantica Canticorum: A Cistercian engagement with early Scholasticism, Joseph Van House, Our Lady of Dallas Cistercian Abbey

Walter Daniel's Lament for Aelred, Lawrence Morey, Abbey of Gethsemani

St. Bernard's grief for his friend Malachy, Ryszard Gron, Independent Scholar

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May 6, Thursday

11 AM (EDT), 5 PM (CET)

Session III: **Happiness in God: In Honor of Dom Marie-Gérard Dubois, OCSO**

Organizer: Marsha L. Dutton, Ohio University

Presiding: Marsha Dutton

The Role of Dom Gérard Dubois in the Modernization of the Cistercian Order of the Strict Observance, Brendan Freeman, OCSO, Mellifont Abbey, Ireland

How the OCSO survived the reforms after Vatican Council II or The trials and tribulations of the OCSO after Vatican Council II, Georges Hoffmann, Monastery of the Holy Spirit

Monastery as Refuge: A Thousand-Year Tradition, Jean Truax, Independent Scholar

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May 7, Friday

11 AM (EDT), 5 PM (CET)

Session IV: **Monastic Work and Lives**

Organizer: Cistercian Conference Advisory Board
Presiding: Kathryn Salzer, Penn State-University Park

'Work is the Law of our Existence': Trappist Agriculture and the Revival of Monasticism in Nineteenth Century France, Jay Butler, North Carolina State

Hagiography and Rievlaux Abbey, Chad Turner, Ferris State University

An approach to the heritage management of the Monastery of San Clodio through its archive, Aránzazu Fernández Quintas, Universidade de Vigo

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May 7, Friday

12:35 AM (EDT), 6:35 PM (CET)

Planning session

International Congress on Medieval Studies CCMS sessions

The Cistercians in Scandinavia, organized by Tyler Sergent
Monday, May 10, 9 am

Responding to Bernard McGinn's The Great Cistercian Mystics: A History (A Panel Discussion), organized by Brian Patrick McGuire
Tuesday, May 11, 11 am

Theories on Monasticism in the Twelfth Century, organized by Aage Rydstrøm-Poulsen
Thursday, May 13 11 am

The Song of Songs: The Heart of Cistercian Spirituality, organized by Marsha L. Dutton
Thursday, May 13, 5 pm

Aelred and After: In Honor of Marsha Dutton, organized by Philip F. O'Mara
Friday, May 14, 5 pm

Studies on Isaac of Stella, organized by Elias Dietz
Saturday, May 15, 11 am