

Course Descriptions Fall 2018

TSP 302 — Introduction to the Bible I

August 25 – December 8 (No Class Thanksgiving weekend)
BLENDED COURSE – dates for FTF classes are reflected in the syllabus
Saturdays, 9 am – 12 pm
St. Patrick Parish, Brighton
Kevin Perrotta, M.A.

Course Description

Through Exploration of the English text of the Old Testament, students will discover the cultural context of ancient faith communities, and how the sacred texts emerging from them have been interpreted theologically in both Jewish and Christian traditions. The course utilizes various methods of textual interpretation, including historical critical methods, and considers various theological models of revelation.

TSP 305 — Theological Ethics

September 8 – November 17
Saturdays, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Faith Catholic, 1500 East Saginaw, Lansing 48906
Rev. Dwight Ezop, M.Div.

Course Description

This course will study the moral principles and norms of Catholic Tradition and will explore the relationship between Christian social ethics (especially bioethics, sexual ethics, and marriage and family) and Christian moral development, and how a believer manifests both as fundamental for participation in a faith community. This course will also examine the importance of the Magisterium and the centrality and formation of conscience. Resources include the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1691-2557.

TSP 313 — Ecclesiology

August 30 – December 13 (No Class Thanksgiving)
BLENDED COURSE – dates for FTF classes are reflected in the syllabus
Thursdays, 6:00-9:00 P.M.
St. Patrick Parish, Brighton
Rev. Randy Phillips, S.T.D.

Course Description

Students will study the origin, nature, and mission of the Church. The course includes a general historical survey, but the major focus is on select documents of the Second Vatican Council, especially *Lumen Gentium*, as well as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, numbers 748-975. Some attention will be given to ecumenism and inter-religious dialogue and *Unitatis Redintegratio*, as well as the *Directory for the Application of Principles and Norms on Ecumenism* (1993)

TSP 355 – Ministry, Management, & Leadership

August 30 - December 13 (No Class Thanksgiving)
BLENDED COURSE – dates for FTF classes are reflected in the syllabus
Thursdays, 6:00-9:00 P.M.
Faith Catholic, 1500 East Saginaw, Lansing 48906
Nancy Mason-Bordley

Course Description

Theological Models of leadership and management will be studied in order to develop specific ministry skills. Personalized field work experiences will be included.