

# RELIGION

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## School of Religious Learning offers ecumenical classes

The 63rd Annual School of Religious Learning will open Monday, January 21st at First United Methodist Church. This annual event, sponsored by Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, provides leadership training, personal enrichment and biblical studies for religious professionals and laypersons of the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant traditions.

Classes begin January 23rd and continue for five consecutive Monday evenings. Courses and instructors include:

Rainbow of Possibilities for Youth Programs: Donald J. Barrett, Social Worker, Roosevelt High School; Church School Elder and Teacher, Mallory Avenue Christian Church, Portland.

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When We Pray: Dr. Paul S. Wright, Pastor Emeritus, First Presbyterian Church and Theologian-in-residence, Lewis & Clark College

The Sermon on the Mount — Historical Setting & Meaning for Today: Dan G. Danner, Ph.D., Professor of Theology, University of Portland

Six revolutions in Biblical Thought — A Jewish View of the Hebrew Scriptures: Rabbi Kerry Baker, Director of Jewish Education Association

Brochures and registration forms may be obtained from Ecumenical Ministries, 0245 S.W. Bancroft St., Suite B, Portland Oregon, Phone (503)221-1054.

## Pastoral letter discussed

A public forum on the United States Catholic Bishops' first draft of the pastoral letter "Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy" will be held on January 16, 1985 at the University of Portland, 5000 N. Willamette Blvd. Beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Howard Hall, the forum is being co-sponsored by the Oregon Catholic Conference and the University's Peace Studies Program.

The forum will allow Oregon's bishops to receive comments and suggestions on the first draft of the economics pastoral from a panel of speakers and the public at large. A panel of four speakers will present reactions to the pastoral from the perspectives of poverty and social policy, labor, business and economics.

Panel participants are: Sister Grace J. Boys, S.S.S., Assistant Professor of Sociology and Director of the Social Service Program, University of Portland; Mr. Irv Fletcher, President, Oregon AFL-CIO; Mr. Ivo Bauman, President, Mt. Angel Telephone Company and Chairman of the Board, U.S. Intelco Networks, Inc.; and Dr. James W. Seal, Dean of the School of Business Administration, University of Portland.

The public forum is similar to one held March 7, 1983 to discuss the war peace Pastoral letter of the U.S. Bishops, "The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response." Archbishop Cornelius M. Power of the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon (Western Oregon) and Bishop Thomas J. Connolly of the Diocese of Baker (Eastern Oregon) extend an invitation to all the people of Oregon to participate in the forum and the discussion of the economics pastoral.

"The U.S. economy and public policy decisions have moral dimensions, and the bishops want to encourage reflection, discussion, and action on these issues," said Archbishop Power in extending an open invitation to the forum.

The Bishops have asked for parish task forces to discuss the pastoral and forward comments to the Bishops. The Bishops must return their comments on the first draft of the pastoral letter to the drafting committee by February 15, 1985. The drafting committee is headed by Most Reverend Rembert Weakland, OSB of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The purpose of a pastoral letter is to provide moral and spiritual direction on important topics. While a pastoral letter is directed primarily to Catholics as a guide in their daily lives, the Bishops also anticipate that

the letter will prove useful to individuals outside the Catholic community in this country.

Copies of the U.S. Catholic Bishops' pastoral letter "Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy" are available from the Oregon Catholic Press, 2816 E. Burnside Street, Portland, Oregon 97214. Copies are available for \$1.00 each including postage.

Individuals who may find it impossible to participate in the University of Portland conference on the pastoral letter on the economy may still provide their input. Comments may be addressed to either Auxiliary Bishop Paul Waldschmidt, P.O. Box 351, Portland, Oregon 97207 or Bishop Thomas Connolly, P.O. Box 826, Baker, Oregon 97814. Input should be provided prior to January 31, 1985.

Comments provided both at the forum at the University of Portland on January 16 as well as input mailed to the Oregon bishops will be forwarded to the drafting committee of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops of which Archbishop Weakland of Milwaukee is head. A second draft will then be composed and submitted to the bishops at large for their approval. The final approval is expected to come at the NCCB annual gathering in Washington, D.C., in November, 1985.

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23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

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## Family values explored

Three special credit workshops slated winter term at Portland Community College's Cascade Campus address the diverse issues of alcohol in the family, values clarification, and coping with divorce, separation or widowhood.

Coping with Alcohol on Saturday, January 19, is designed to provide information on recognizing the symptoms of alcoholism, locating resources to help combat the disease, and dealing with the problem in the home, school or work setting.

Spotlighting Values on February 9 provides a look at beliefs, attitudes and values that shape individual decisions and actions. Students will check to see if their behaviors match their stated beliefs, evaluate the consequences of their choices and explore the processes that lead to the development of personalized values.

Each of the workshops runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killingsworth. Tuition on each is \$21 for one hour college credit. For further information contact the Cascade Careers Department, 283-2541, ext. 382.

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