THE SOCIETY OF THE HOLY TRINITY

General Chapter Retreat ~ September 23-25, 2025

"Nicaea at 1700: An Ecumenical Conversation"

<u>Place</u>: The Conference Center of the University of St. Mary of the Lake/Mundelein Seminary, 1000 East Maple Avenue, Mundelein, Illinois 60060. Phone: (847) 566-8290.

<u>Teaching Theologians</u>: While many are studying and discussing the importance of Nicaea in this anniversary year, our emphasis will be on the ecumenical facets of this important Council. To that end, we have three speakers representing different traditions in the one holy Church – Dr. Mathew Levering from St. Mary of the Lake Seminary (Catholic); Dr. David Ford from St. Tikhon's Seminary (Orthodox) and the Rev'd Dr. Joel Elowsky from Concordia St. Louis (Lutheran).

<u>Times</u>: Arrive Tuesday in time to check in for lunch at 1:00 pm. Concludes on Thursday with a bag lunch at 1:00 pm.

<u>Monday arrivals</u>: For those who wish to arrive on Monday, the extra charge is \$77 for overnight lodging. Meals on campus are available, if desired: Monday evening supper for \$22; Tuesday morning breakfast for \$17. Members must make reservations for early arrival in advance <u>through your Dean</u>. Payment for rooms/meals for both member and non-member early arrivals must be made <u>in advance</u> of arrival on campus. Send payment to the Secretary at the address below.

Deadline to Register: August 29, 2025. Cancellations are unable to be accepted after September 5, 2025.

<u>Costs</u>: Members of the Society attend the General Chapter at no additional charge when they remit their annual dues. For *non*-members and guests, the cost of the retreat (including lodging and meals) is \$245 - shared room and \$265 - single room.

How to register: Members register through their Deans, including for early arrival. *Non-members* use form below.

For those who are driving: The entrance to the seminary off of Route 176 is open. but from 9 am-5 pm only. It is suggested to enter the campus from Route 45 (*Lake Street*). This entrance is just north of the Route 176/Route 45 intersection. In your GPS, enter "Route 45 and Dunbar/University Mundelein, IL" for directions to this entrance. *If you are heading North on Interstate 94*: Take the Hwy 176 exit and turn right at the foot of the ramp to head west (the ramp loops around). Continue on 176 to Route 45 and the entrance will be on your right at Dunbar/University street. *If you are heading South on Interstate 94*: Take Exit 10 for IL-21/Milwaukee Ave. Turn right on to Casey Rd and continue to U.S. Route 45. Turn left and continue on Route 45 until you reach the entrance at Dunbar/University Street.

All guests must park in the Purple Lot.

For those traveling by air: Use O'Hare if possible. Windy City Limousine can provide transportation from both airports to Mundelein and back. To use this service: *before you travel*, go to https://tinyurl.com/STS-GR-transpo and follow the directions for booking, or call 1-866-94WINDY. If you call, you must say you are with the Society of the Holy Trinity to get the special rates (around \$100 one way from O'Hare). If you organize your own group then book together, your cost will be less. For example, if two passengers coordinate in advance to ride together then make a reservation as "2" passengers, they can split the cost of a sedan. Do not bill St. Mary's or the Society. Air travelers can also arrange pick-ups with other STS members who are traveling by car by posting arrival times in the STS Facebook group. You may take the Metra train from the airports to Mundelein and then taken a cab the two miles from the station to St. Mary. Uber and Lyft are also possibilities. Individuals are responsible for arranging their own travel to the campus.

Travel equalization: Members of the Society may be reimbursed up to \$500 for travel expenses above \$175. You must book flights early to get lower fares. Travel Equalization claim forms will be available at the retreat. Save receipts to submit.

Non-Member Registration: 2025 Society of the Holy Trinity General Chapter Retreat

(Members register through Deans, including for early arrival.)

*Do not use this form at all if you are a member Name: ______ Address: ______ All rooms will be in the Main Lodge Phone: ______ E-mail: ______ Non-member registration fee for General Retreat ___ \$245.00 shared room __ \$265.00 single room +_____ Non-member early arrival Monday room (\$77.00) +_____ Non-member early arrival meals (Optional) __ Monday supper \$22 __ Tuesday breakfast \$17 =____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

Please make checks payable to "Society of the Holy Trinity" and send **by August 29, 2025** to: The Rev'd Pari R. Bailey, STS Secretary, PO Box 116, Belview, MN 56214.