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| **Semester 1, 2024** |

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| Delivery | Tuesdays 4.30pm – 6.30pm AET  Fully Online | | |
| AQF Level | 7 | Credit Points | 6 |

**REQUIRED TEXTS** (Students should purchase this/these texts)

**Joseph Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life: Virtue Ethics and Orthodox Christianity*, (Washington: Georgetown University Press, 1998).**

**ARTICLES TO DOWNLOAD AND READ**

Caiazza, John C., “History and Tradition in Virtue Ethics,” *Modern Age* 56.2 (2014): 43-51.

Freeman, Steven (2014) The Modern Project – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>

Freeman, Steven. (2016) A Virtuous Man – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>

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Freeman, Steven. (2020) The Violence of Modernity – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>

Garcia, J. L., “Anscombe's Three Theses Revisited: Rethinking the Foundations of Medical Ethics,” *Christian Bioethics: Non-ecumenical Studies in Medical Morality* 14.2, (2008):123-140.

Hamalis, P., “The Fellowship of Life,” *Journal of Religion* 80.1 (2000):158–59. <https://doi.org/10.1086/490589>. <https://www.academia.edu/10998209/Eastern_Orthodox_Ethics>

MacIntyre, Alasdair, *After Virtue*, Notre Dame, IN, 1985.

Reid, J., “Virtue, Rule-Following, and Absolute Prohibitions,” *Journal of the American Philosophical Association*, 5.1 (2019): 78–97.

Sandefur, T., “The Politics (Telos) of Star Trek,” *Claremont Review of Books*.15.3 (2015)

Solomon, David, “Elizabeth Anscombe's ‘Modern Moral Philosophy’: Fifty Years Later,” *Christian Bioethics: Non-ecumenical Studies in Medical Morality*. 14.2, (2008):109-122.

Stern, Robert, “Divine Commands and Secular Demands: On Darwall on Anscombe on ‘Modern Moral Philosophy’ Mind. Oct2014, Vol. 123 Issue 492, p1095-1122. 28p.

Further resources, including recommended texts, websites and an extended bibliography, are listed on the unit site.

**SEMESTER PROGRAM**

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| **Week beginning OR actual Date** | **Week** | **Lecture / Workshop Topic** | **Readings** |
| **20 Feb** | **WK 1** | **Course Introduction** | Hamalis, P (2000). The Fellowship of Life. Journal of Religion 80, no. 1 (2000): 158–59. <https://doi.org/10.1086/490589>. <https://www.academia.edu/10998209/Eastern_Orthodox_Ethics> |
| **27 Feb** | **WK2** | **Modernity and Virtue** | Freeman, Steven (2014) The Modern Project – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>  Freeman, Steven. (2016) A Virtuous Man – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>  Freeman, Steven. (2019) A Crisis of Virtue – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/>  Freeman, Steven. (2020) The Violence of Modernity – The Good That We Need. Glory to God for All Things. <https://glory2godforallthings.com/> |
| **5 March** | **WK3** | **Rules, Consequentialism, and Virtue** | Solomon, David (2008) Elizabeth Anscombe's "Modern Moral Philosophy": Fifty Years Later. Christian Bioethics: Non-ecumenical Studies in Medical Morality. Vol. 14 Issue 2, p109-122. 14p.  Nafsika Athanassoulis & Allison Ross (2010) A virtue ethical account of making decisions about risk, Journal of Risk Research, 13:2, 217-230, DOI: 10.1080/13669870903126309 |
| **12 March** | **WK4** | **The Human Telos** | Sandefur, T (2016). The Politics (Telos) of Star Trek. Claremont Review of Books. Volume XV, Number 3, Summer 2015  Stern, Robert (2014) Divine Commands and Secular Demands: On Darwall on Anscombe on ‘Modern Moral Philosophy’ Mind. Oct2014, Vol. 123 Issue 492, p1095-1122. 28p. |
| **18 – 25 March** |  | **No Class First Week of Great Lent** |  |
| **26 March** | **WK5** | **Tradition in Virtue Ethics** | Caiazza, John C. History and Tradition in Virtue Ethics. Modern Age. Spring2014, Vol. 56 Issue 2, p43-51. 9p.  Garcia, J. L. A (2008) Anscombe's Three Theses Revisited: Rethinking the Foundations of Medical Ethics. Christian Bioethics: Non-ecumenical Studies in Medical Morality. Vol. 14 Issue 2, p123-140. 18p |
| **2 April** | **WK6** | **MacIntyre and Accounts of Emotivism** | Alasdair MacIntyre, (1985). After Virtue, Notre Dame, IN.  Chapter 1 A Disquieting Suggestion and  Chapter 2 The Nature of Moral Disagreement Today and the Claims of Emotivism. |
| **9 April** | **WK7** | **Return to Virtue** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 1*** |
| **16 April** | **WK8** | **The Fathers on the Virtues** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 2*** |
| **23 April** | **WK9** | **The Pursuit of Virtue** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 3*** |
| **29 April – 5 May** | **No Class Holy Week** | | |
| **6 May- 12 May** | **No Class Bright Week** | | |
| **13 May** | **WK10** | **The Ethics of Harakas, Guroion, Yannaras** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 4*** |
| **20 May** | **WK11** | **The Ethics of Creation** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 5*** |
| **27 May** | **WK12** | **Virtues and Marriage** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 6*** |
| **3 June** | **WK13** | **Integration of Virtue Ethics and Orthodox Christianity** | **Woodill, *The Fellowship of Life, Chapter 7*** |