

MASTER OF SACRED THEOLOGY (SACRAE THEOLOGIAE MAGISTER, STM)

SELECTED READING LIST

A selection of texts that form the basis of private study and classroom discussion in the five year STM program, arranged according to general categories.

SCRIPTURE	Old and New Testaments read as a whole, followed by special study of the following books, using ancient, medieval, and modern commentaries: the Pentateuch; the major and minor prophets; the Psalms and wisdom literature; the Synoptic Gospels; the Gospel of John; Romans, Galatians, and Hebrews; Revelation
MAGISTERIAL DOCUMENTS	<p>Conciliar canons and decrees: Nicaea I to Nicaea II</p> <p>Gelasius I, <i>Duo Quippe Sunt</i></p> <p>St. Gregory VII, <i>Letter to Hermann of Metz</i></p> <p>Boniface VIII, <i>Unam Sanctam</i></p> <p>Council of Trent, <i>Decree and Canons on Justification, the Eucharist, and the Sacrifice of the Mass</i></p> <p>Gregory XVI, <i>Mirari Vos</i></p> <p>Bd. Pius IX, <i>Qui Pluribus, Quanto Conficiamur Moerore</i>, and <i>Quanta Cura</i> with <i>Syllabus Errorum</i></p> <p>Vatican Council I, <i>Dei Filius</i>; <i>Pastor Aeternus</i></p> <p>Leo XIII, <i>Diuturnum Illud, Immortale Dei, Libertas Praestantissimum, Sapientiae Christianae, Humanum Genus, Nobilissima Gallorum Gens, Au Milieu des Sollicitudes, Rerum Novarum, Providentissimus Deus, Satis Cognitum, Arcanum</i></p> <p>St. Pius X, <i>Pascendi Dominici Gregis; Vehementer Nos, Iamdudum, Notre charge apostolique</i></p> <p>Pius XI, <i>Ubi Arcano Dei Consilio, Quas Primas, Quadragesimo Anno, Divini Redemptoris, Mit Brennender Sorge; Ad Catholici Sacerdotii; Casti Connubii; Mortalium Animos</i></p> <p>Pius XII, <i>Mystici Corporis; Mediator Dei; Sacra Virginitas; Divino Afflante Spiritu; Summi Pontificatus, "True and False Democracy", "The Internal Order of States and People", Ci Riesee</i></p> <p>Bd. John XXIII, <i>Mater et Magistra, Pacem in Terris</i></p> <p>Paul VI, <i>Ecclesiam Suam; Mysterium Fidei; Populorum Progressio, Octogesima Adveniens; Humanae Vitae</i></p> <p>Vatican Council II, <i>Lumen Gentium; Dei Verbum; Gaudium et Spes; Apostolicam Actuositatem; Unitatis Redintegratio; Dignitatis Humanae; Sacrosanctum Concilium</i></p> <p>John Paul II, <i>Sollicitudo Rei Socialis, Centesimus Annus; Redemptor Hominis; Laborem Exercens; Salvifici Doloris; Evangelium Vitae; Mulieris Dignitatem; Fides et Ratio; Familiaris Consortio; Pastores Dabo Vobis; Vita Consecrata; Ecclesia de Eucharistia; Dominicae Cena; Spiritus et Sponsa; Wednesday general audiences on the theology of the body</i></p> <p>Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, <i>Libertatis Nuntius, Libertatis Conscientia, Some Questions Regarding the Participation of Catholics in Political Life; Concerning the Collaboration of Men and Women; Persona Humana; Donum Vitae; Mysterium Ecclesiae, Communionis Notio; "Primacy of the Successor of Peter"; Dominus Jesus</i></p> <p>Pontifical Biblical Commission, <i>The Interpretation of the Bible in the Church</i></p> <p><i>Mass of the Roman Rite</i></p> <p><i>Code of Canon Law</i></p> <p><i>The Catechism of the Catholic Church</i></p>
ANCIENT PHILOSOPHERS	<p>Aristotle, <i>Categories; On Interpretation; Posterior Analytics; Topics; Physics; On the Heavens; On Generation and Corruption; On the Soul; The Parts of Animals; Nicomachean Ethics; Politics; Metaphysics</i></p> <p>Euclid, <i>The Elements, Book I</i></p> <p>Lucretius, <i>The Nature of Things</i></p> <p>Plato, <i>Republic; Meno; Euthyphro; Apology; Phaedo; Gorgias; Phaedrus; Symposium; Timaeus</i></p> <p>Porphyry, <i>Isagoge</i></p> <p>Presocratic fragments</p>
WESTERN FATHERS AND THEIR CONTEMPORARIES	<p>Arius, fragments</p> <p>St. Augustine, <i>Confessions; The City of God; The Trinity; On the Catholic Way of Life; On the Lord's Sermon on the Mount; Homilies on the Gospel of John; On Christian Doctrine; On the Spirit and the Letter, On Grace and Free Will; On the Good of Marriage; On Holy Virginitiy; texts on the totus Christus</i></p> <p>St. Benedict of Nursia, <i>The Rule</i></p> <p>St. Cyprian, <i>On the Unity of the Catholic Church</i></p>

	<p>St. Leo the Great, <i>To Flavian</i> St. Jerome, <i>Letter to Paulinus on the Study of Scripture</i> Nestorius and Apollinaris, writings</p>
EASTERN FATHERS	<p>St. Athanasius, <i>Against the Arians; On the Incarnation</i> St. Basil, <i>The Holy Spirit</i> St. Cyril of Alexandria, <i>The Unity of Christ</i>; texts on the Eucharist and the Church St. Dionysius, <i>On the Divine Names</i> Eusebius of Caesarea, <i>Ecclesiastical History</i> St. Gregory Nazianzen, <i>Theological Orations</i> 3–5; <i>Paschal Oration</i>; <i>In Defense of His Flight</i> St. Gregory of Nyssa, <i>On the Beatitudes</i>; <i>The Soul and the Resurrection</i>; <i>To Ablabius</i>; <i>Against Apollinaris</i>; <i>Sermons on the Song of Songs</i> St. John Chrysostom, <i>Homilies on the Gospel of John</i> and on the Pauline epistles; <i>How to Choose a Wife</i> St. John Damascene, <i>The Divine Images</i> St. Maximus the Confessor, <i>On the Ascetic Life</i>; <i>Disputation with Pyrrhus</i>; <i>The Church's Mystagogy</i></p>
MEDIEVAL THEOLOGAINS	<p>St. Anselm, <i>Proslogion</i>; <i>Cur Deus Homo</i> St. Bede, <i>Ecclesiastical History of the English People</i> Richard of St. Victor, <i>On the Trinity</i> 3 St. Thomas Aquinas, <i>Summa theologiae</i> I, qq. 1–49, 54, 59–60, and 75–105; I-II, qq. 1–28, 55–114; II-II, qq. 10–12, 17–46, 81–85, 179–182; III, qq. 1–26, 45–83; <i>Summa contra gentiles</i> I.1–9 and IV.79–97; <i>Compendium of Theology</i> I.213–216; <i>On Boethius' De Trinitate</i>, qq. 1, 2 and 5; <i>Quodlibet</i> 7.6.2; <i>In I Sent.</i> 4.1 ad 3; <i>On the Perfection of Spiritual Life</i>; <i>Commendation and Partition of Scripture</i>; <i>Commentary on John</i>; <i>Commentary on Matthew</i> 5; <i>Commentary on Romans</i>; <i>Sermons on the Apostles' Creed</i> 9; <i>Collations on the Ten Commandments</i>; Prologue to <i>Commentary on the Posterior Analytics</i>; Commentaries on the <i>Physics</i> and <i>On the Soul</i>; <i>On the Principles of Nature</i>; <i>On the Mixture of Elements</i></p>
MODERN AUTHORS	<p>St. Alphonsus Liguori, <i>Conformity to the Will of God</i> Augros, “Reconciling Science with Natural Philosophy” Bacon, <i>Great Instauration</i>; <i>New Organon</i>; <i>Natural and Experimental History</i> Balthasar, “Spirit and Institution”; “The Holy Spirit as Love” Boyle, “Excellency and Grounds of the Corpuscular or Mechanical Philosophy” Brown, <i>The Gospel according to John</i> St. Catherine of Genoa, <i>Treatise on Purgatory</i> Copernicus, <i>Commentariolus</i>; Dedicatory Epistle to <i>Revolutions</i> Darwin, <i>The Origin of Species</i>; <i>The Descent of Man</i> De Koninck, “The Lifeless World of Biology”; “The Unity and Diversity of Natural Science”; “The Nature of Man and His Historical Being”; “The Primacy of the Common Good” de la Potterie, <i>The Hour of Jesus</i> Descartes, <i>Discourse on Method</i>; <i>The World, or Treatise on Light</i>; <i>Meditations on First Philosophy</i>; <i>Passions of the Soul</i> Fabre, <i>Entomological Recollections</i> Fitzmyer, <i>Commentary on Romans</i> Galileo, <i>The Assayer</i>; <i>Two Chief World Systems</i>; <i>Two New Sciences</i> Goethe, <i>The Metamorphosis of Plants</i> Greshake, <i>Der dreieine Gott</i> Hegel, <i>Encyclopedia Logic</i>; Introduction to <i>Philosophy of History</i> Heidegger, “What Is Philosophy?” and other essays Heschel, <i>The Prophets</i> Hume, <i>A Treatise of Human Nature</i>; <i>Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> Hobbes, <i>Leviathan</i> Journet, <i>Theology of the Church</i> Kant, <i>Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics</i>; <i>Groundwork of the Metaphysics of Morals</i> Kasper, <i>The God of Jesus Christ</i> Kepler, <i>Epitome of Astronomy</i> IV, Preface Kierkegaard, <i>The Lily in the Field</i>; <i>Three Discourses</i>; <i>Christian Discourses</i> 1–2 Locke, <i>Second Treatise on Civil Government</i> Luther, <i>Commentary on Galatians</i> Machiavelli, <i>The Prince</i> Marcel, “On the Ontological Mystery”</p>

Marx, selected writings
Mill, *Utilitarianism*
Moloney, *John*
Newman, *An Essay on the Development of Christian Doctrine*; *University Sermons* 10–11; historical writings
Newton, *Philosophiæ Naturalis Principia Mathematica*; *Opticks* Query 31; letters
Nietzsche, *On the Genealogy of Morals*; *The Advantage and Disadvantage of History for Life*
Pascal, *Pensées*
Portmann, *Animal Forms and Patterns*
Ratzinger, “The Ecclesiology of *Lumen Gentium*”
Rousseau, *Second Discourse*, *On the Social Contract*
Scheeben, *The Mysteries of Christianity*
Schnackenburg, *The Gospel according to St. John*
Troeltsch, “Historical and Dogmatic Method in Theology”
Westermann, *Genesis*
Wojtyła, *Love and Responsibility*