

## A History of Canadian Catholics

### SAH2447, SMH

Experimental science, colonial exploration, and religious missions grew in intensity in the seventeenth century and were extended to the Americas, Africa, and Asia. The evangelization of Canada began in the 17C, and the Recollets and the Jesuits expanded this work. The Catholic Church was officially established with the appointment of the first bishop of Quebec, and lay and religious volunteers spread Christianity to the Pacific coast. By the twentieth century, French, Irish, and Scottish Catholics had interfaced with the Aborigines, Europeans, and Asians. Class requirements: attendance and participation; research essay; open book exam.

#### Textbooks

Terence J. Fay. *A History of Canadian Catholics: Gallicanism, Romanism, and Canadianism*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's, 2002. (TF)

Weekly readings are found in *Historical Studies*, 1933-2004: See web site of the "Canadian Catholic Historical Association."

#### Source Materials: Books and Articles

Terrence Murphy and Roberto Perin, eds. *A Concise History of Christianity in Canada*. Toronto: Oxford University Press, 1996. (CHCC)

Terrence Murphy and Gerald Stortz, eds. *Creed and Culture: The Place of English-Speaking Catholics in Canadian Society, 1750-1930*. Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 1993.(CC)

Bramadat, Paul and David Seljak, *Christianity and Ethnicity in Canada*. Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2008.

Choquette, Robert. *Canada' Religions: An Historical Introduction* Ottawa: University of Ottawa Press, 2004.

*Dictionary of Canadian Biography*, 14 vols, online.

*Canadian Periodical Index*.

*Bibliography of Canadian Religious History*, online.

#### Course Outline by Lectures

##### 1. The Baroque Spirituality of New France (TF, "Missionary Origins," Chapt. 1)

Charles Principe, "A Moral Portrait of the Indian of the St Lawrence in One Relations of New France, Written by Paul LeJeune, s.j.," CCHA *Historical Studies* 57 (1990), 29-50.

Mary Ann Foley, "La vie voyageure for Women, Moving Beyond Cloister in Seventeenth-Century France," *Historical Studies*" 63 (1997), 15-28.

##### 2. The Church after the British Conquest (TF, "Conquest," Chapt. 2)

Hilda Neatby, "Servitude de L'Eglise Catholique: A Reconsideration," CCHA *Study Sessions* 36 (1969): 9-25.

Jan Noel, "Besieged but Connected: Survival Strategies at a Quebec Convent," CCHA *Historical Studies* 67 (2001), 27-41.

**3. Maritime and Central Canadian Scots and Irish (TF, “Maritime Catholicism,” Chapt. 3)**

Luca Codignola, “Conflict or Consensus: Catholics in Canada and in the United States, 1780-1820,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 55 (1988): 43-59.

James Lambert, “The Face of Upper Canadian Catholicism: Culture and Metropolitanism in the Establishment of the Roman Catholic Church in Upper Canada, 1800-1825,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 54 (1987): 5-25.

**4. Rise of Ultramontane Spirituality (TF, “Ultramontane Catholicism,” Chapt. 4)**

John E. FitzGerald, “Bishop Fleming and Irish Factionalism: Newfoundland Roman Catholicism, 1829-1850,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 64 (1998): 27-44.

Roberto Perin, “Clerics and Constitution: The Quebec Church and Minority Rights in Canada,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 56 (1989): 31-48.

**5. Seeds of a More Open Church (TF, “Ultramontanes and Catholic Schools,” Chapt. 5)**

Elizabeth Smyth, “Developing the Powers of the Youthful Mind: The Evolution of Education for Young Women of St Joseph’s Academy, Toronto, 1854-1911,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 60 (1993-1994): 103-25,

Peter Meehan, “The East Hastings By-Election of 1936 and the Ontario Separate School Tax Question,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 68 (2002): 105-32.

**6. Two Messianic Language Groups (TF, “Messianic Language Groups,” Chapt. 8)**

André Lalonde, "Archbishop O. E. Mathieu and the Francophone Immigration to the Archdiocese of Regina," *CCHA Historical Studies* 44 (1977), 45-59.

Mark G. McGowan, "Religious Duties and Patriotic Endeavour: the Catholic Church Extension Society, French Canada and the Prairie West, 1908-1916," *CCHA Historical Studies* 51 (1984), 107-20.

**7. Catholic Response to the Depression (TF, “Catholic Responses to the Depression,” Chapt. 10)**

James D. Cameron, “Erasing Forever the Brand of Social Inferiority: Saint Francis Xavier University and the Highland Catholics of Eastern Nova Scotia,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 59 (1992): 49-64.

Bernard M. Daly, “A Priest’s Tale: The Evolution of the Thinking of Eugene Cullinane CSB,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 65 (1999), 9-27.

**8. Secularism, Fascism, Nazism, Communism (TF, “Communism & Fascism,” Chapt. 11)**

Art Cawley, “The Canadian Catholic English-Language Press and the Spanish Civil War,” *CCHA Study Sessions* 49 (1982): 25-51.

Watson Kirkconnell, “Communism in Canada and the USA,” *CCHA Report* 15 (1947-48), 41-51.

**9. Quebecization of the Postwar Canadian Church (TF, “Communism & Fascism,” Chapt. 11)**

David Seljak, “Why the Quiet revolution was ‘Quiet:’ The Catholic Church’s Reaction to the Secularization of Quebec after 1960,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 62 (1996): 109-24.

Nicole Neatby, “Student Leaders at the University of Montreal During the Early 1950s: What Did the Students Want?” *CCHA Historical Studies* 62 (1996): 73-88.

**10. Canadianization of Catholicism (TF, “Canadianization of Catholicism,” Chapt.13)**

Elizabeth Smyth, “Gertrude Lawler and St Joseph’s Academy: Alumnae, Advocate and Author,” *Historical Studies* 72 (2006), 124-141.

Sarah MacPherson, “Religious Women in Nova Scotia: A Struggle for Autonomy. A Sketch of the Sisters of St Martha of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, 1900-60.” *CCHA Historical Studies* 51 (1984): 89-106.

**11. The Second Vatican Council (TF, “Second Vatican Council,” Chapt. 14)**

William Ryan, “Personal Recollections and Reflections on the Implementation of the Second Vatican Council by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1964-1990,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 73 (2007): 45-62.

James Hanrahan, “The Nature and History of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Canada,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 50 (1983): 307-24.

**12. Contemporary Dynamics (TF, “Contemporary Dynamics,” Chapt. 15 )**

Sheila Ross, “For God and Country: The Early Years of the Catholic Women’s League,” *CCHA Historical Studies* 62 (1996): 89-108.

Terence Fay, “A Historiography of Recent Publications on Catholic Native Residential Schools,” *Historical Studies* 61 (1995), 79-97.

**Important Information**

**Seminar Report:** The student will prepare a Seminar Report from the assigned readings for each session and hand it in to the instructor at the end of the class period.

**Research Essay:** Write a 12-page *double-spaced* (12 point font) research essay on an event in Canadian church history since the seventeenth century. In the introductory paragraph, establish a theme and list your three points. Through the essay sprinkle dates, places, persons and events. Sum up your theme and points in a conclusion. Include pagination, indent paragraphs, footnotes (I don’t read endnotes), and bibliography. Please indent paragraphs.

**Open Exam:** Write a three-page, double-spaced, type-written essay. The essay should be a comprehensive review of course material and include a theme in the introduction, three points, and a conclusion. At the exam, present a summary of your essay orally at the classroom examination. This is a comprehensive display of what students learned during the term and includes a main theme, three points, and a conclusion.

**Possible Topics for a 12-page Research Essay**

1. 17C Jesuit missions
2. The founding of the church in Quebec
3. Amerindian Christians
4. Church after the Conquest
5. Catholic schools in the Maritimes, Quebec, or Ontario
6. Canadian ultramontane spirituality

7. 19C Oblate missions
8. Diplomatic recognition of the Holy See and Italian Government, 1929
9. Catholic responses to the Economic Depression of the 1930s
10. Catholics and Conscription
11. Catholic roots of the Quiet Revolution
12. Funding Ontario Catholic schools
13. Maritime roots of the western church
14. Canadian participation at the Second Vatican Council

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