

**MS/TH 3XH3/6XH6 SYLLABUS**  
**The Pastoral Theology of Henri Nouwen Winter 2016**

**McMaster Divinity College**  
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Winter Term 2016  
Monday 10:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.  
3 or 6 units

**Specializations:** CS, CW, PS

**Biography:**

Dr. Phil Zylla is Academic Dean and Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology at McMaster Divinity College. He also holds the J. Gordon and Margaret Warnock Jones Chair in Church Ministry and is a member of the Faculty of Theology of McMaster University. His research interests include pastoral theology, congregational studies, virtue theory, theology of suffering and Christian spirituality. His current project, *Spiritual Formation of the Congregation* seeks to develop a communal approach to the spiritual formation of a Christian community. He lives in Ancaster with his wife Melodie and daughter, Chelsey. Dr. Zylla is interested in theopoetics, soccer, and is active in his local church here in Hamilton.

**Course Description:**

Henri Nouwen published over 40 books and is notably one of the most important and widely read spiritual writers in recent years in North America. He taught at Notre Dame, Yale Divinity School and Harvard Divinity School but spent the last decade of his life as the pastor of the Daybreak Community of L'Arche in Toronto. Nouwen was influenced by early pioneers in pastoral theology including Anton Boisen and Seward Hiltner. These roots allowed him to integrate spiritual ideas with their counterparts in pastoral psychology and psychology of religion. He had extensive training in the field of pastoral theology though little is written on his explicit methods of exploring pastoral theological themes. This course seeks to mine the writings of Henri Nouwen for his approach to pastoral theological exploration as it pertains to contemporary issues in the field.

*“Ministry must be fueled by genuine spirituality to be effective. For spirituality to be authentic, it must give birth to actual practice of ministry. Nouwen embraced the conviction that communion with God results in deep community with others and that true community leads to creative ministry. Spirituality and ministry go hand in hand.” – Will Hernandez, “A Spirituality of Imperfection” in *Turning the Wheel*.*

*“In practically all priestly functions, such as pastoral conversation, preaching, teaching and liturgy, the minister tries to help people to recognize the work of God in themselves. The Christian leader, minister or priest, is not one who reveals God to other people...but one who helps those who are searching to discover reality as the source of their existence.” – Henri Nouwen, *The Wounded Healer**

*“Many ministers today are excellent preachers, competent counselors, and good program administrators, but few feel comfortable giving spiritual direction to people who are search for God’s presence in their lives. For many ministers, if not for most, the life of the Holy Spirit is unknown territory . . . There is an increasing need for diagnosticians of the soul who can distinguish the Holy Spirit from the unholy spirits and so guide people to an active and vital transformation of soul and body, and of all their personal relationships.” – Henri Nouwen, *The Living Reminder**

**Course Objectives:**

**Knowing**

1. To become familiar with the root ideas and integrative pastoral theology of Henri Nouwen’s works.
2. To explore the pastoral theological themes introduced by Henri Nouwen’s corpus.
3. To deepen resources for the expansion of pastoral theology in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Being**

1. To be shaped in the inner person through spiritual integration of course materials.
2. To cultivate a personal sense of mission and calling to the work of integrative pastoral theology.
3. To experience the themes and ideas expressed by Nouwen through spiritual practices.

**Doing**

1. To evaluate and use methods developed in the pastoral theology of Henri Nouwen.

2. To develop new themes in pastoral theology that can be used in Christian ministries.
3. (Advanced Degree Students) To gain facility in research in the field of pastoral theology by exploring Henri Nouwen's pastoral theological methods.

### **Required Course Textbooks (Professional Degree Students):**

#### Books by Henri J. M. Nouwen:

- \_\_\_\_\_. *Here and Now: Living with the Spirit*. New York: Crossroad, 1994.
- \_\_\_\_\_. *Intimacy: Pastoral Psychological Essays*. Fides, 1969; reprinted, Harper and Row, 1981.
- \_\_\_\_\_. *In the Name of Jesus: Reflections on Christian Leadership*. New York: Crossroad, 1989.
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- \_\_\_\_\_. *Walk with Jesus: Stations of the Cross*. Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books, 3<sup>rd</sup> printing, 1991.

#### Supplemental Required Texts:

Higgins, Michael W. and Kevin Burns *Genius Born of Anguish: The Life and Legacy of Henri Nouwen*. New York: Paulist Press, 2012.

### **Required Course Textbooks (Research Degree MA/PhD Students):**

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- \_\_\_\_\_. *Can You Drink the Cup?* Notre Dame: Ave Maria Press, 1996.
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- \_\_\_\_\_. *Compassion: A Reflection on the Christian Life*. with Donald P. McNeill and Douglas A Morrison. New York: Doubleday, 1982.
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- \_\_\_\_\_. *Making All Things New: An Invitation to the Spiritual Life*. San Francisco: Harper Collins, 1981.
- \_\_\_\_\_. *Peacework: Prayer, Resistance, Community*. New York: Orbis Books, 2005.
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- \_\_\_\_\_. *Spiritual Formation: Following the Movements of the Spirit*. San Francisco: HarperOne, 2010.
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Research Degree Course MA/PhD Supplemental Required Books:

Bengston, Jonathan and Earnshaw, Gabrielle, eds. *Turning the Wheel: Henri Nouwen and Our Search for God*. New York: Orbis Books, 2007.

Hernandez, Wil. *Henri Nouwen and Soul Care: A Ministry of Integration*. New York: Paulist Press, 2008.

Higgins, Michael W. and Kevin Burns. *Genius Born of Anguish: The Life and Legacy of Henri Nouwen*. New York: Paulist Press, 2012.

O’Laughlin, Michael. *Henri Nouwen: His Life and Vision*. Orbis, 2005.

**Course Outline      Mondays 10:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.**

n.b. \*\*Works indicated by [ ] are not required but supplemental readings for these weeks.

January 4<sup>th</sup>      ***Introduction to Henri Nouwen’s Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Degree Course Reading: Intimacy; [Lifesigns]  
Advanced Course Reading: Intimacy; Lifesigns; The Wounded Healer; Creative Ministry; The Living Reminder; [Our Greatest Gift]

January 11<sup>th</sup>      ***The Integrative Nature of the Spiritual Life in Nouwen’s Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Course Reading: The Way of the Heart; Here and Now.  
Advanced Course Readings: Here and Now; Compassion; Making All Things New; The Way of the Heart; The Path of Waiting; Letters to Marc; [Life of the Beloved; The Only Necessary Thing; Out of Solitude; Heart Speaks to Heart]

- January 18<sup>th</sup> ***The Use of the Bible in Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Course Reading: In the Name of Jesus  
Advanced Course Readings: In the Name of Jesus; Return of the Prodigal; Can You Drink the Cup?; The Living Reminder; With Open Hands; With Burning Hearts
- January 25<sup>th</sup> ***Spiritual Theology and Pastoral Theology – Synergies and Conflicts***  
Professional Course Reading: Reaching Out  
Advanced Course Reading: Spiritual Formation Henri Nouwen with M. Christensen and R. Laird; Reaching Out; The Living Reminder; Lifesigns; Compassion; Here and Now; Peacework
- February 1<sup>st</sup> ***The Life of Henri Nouwen***. Video: *Straight to the Heart*.  
Professional Course Reading: Higgins and Burns, *Genius Born of Anguish*.  
Advanced Course Reading: O’Laughlin, Michael. *Henri Nouwen: His Life and Vision*.  
Higgins and Burns, *Genius Born of Anguish*.
- February 8<sup>th</sup> ***The Emotional Life and the Pastoral Theology of Henri Nouwen***  
Professional Course Reading: The Inner Voice of Love; The Wounded Healer.  
Advanced Course Reading: The Inner Voice of Love; Intimacy; The Wounded Healer; Lifesigns; Making All Things New; Spiritual Formation with M. Christensen and R. Laird; [The Dance of Life; Aging: The Fulfillment of Life; A Letter of Consolation; In Memorium]
- February 15<sup>th</sup> ***Reading Week***
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> ***The Catholic Roots of Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Course Reading: Walk with Jesus: Stations of the Cross.  
Advanced Course Reading: Walk with Jesus: Stations of the Cross; Genesee Diary; Behold the Beauty of the Lord; Jesus and Mary; A Cry for Mercy; [A Letter of Consolation; Eternal Seasons: A Liturgical Journey with Henri J.M. Nouwen]
- February 29<sup>th</sup> ***The Use of Autobiography and Journaling in Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Course Reading: The Road to Daybreak.  
Advanced Course Reading: The Genesee Diary; The Road to Daybreak; Adam; The Inner Voice of Love; In Memorium; [Sabbatical Journey; Our Second Birth; Befriending Life: Encounters with Henri Nouwen; Love in a Fearful Land: A Guatemalan Story]
- March 7<sup>th</sup> ***Field Trip to L’Arche Daybreak: The Legacy of Henri Nouwen (TBA)***
- March 14<sup>th</sup> ***Spiritual Practices and Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology***  
Professional Course Reading: Here and Now.  
Advanced Course Reading: Peacework; Compassion; Clowning in Rome; With Open Hands; Reaching Out; The Way of the Heart; Here and Now [Parting Words: A Conversation with Henri Nouwen; The Path of Peace; Seeds of Hope; Bread for the Journey]
- March 21<sup>st</sup> ***MA/PhD Presentations: Core Themes in Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology***
- March 28<sup>th</sup> ***MA/PhD Presentations: Core Themes in Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology***
- April 4<sup>th</sup> ***Henri Nouwen and Contemporary Christian Spirituality***  
Class Presentations

## **COURSE REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. Annotated Bibliography Contribution** **15% each** **30%**  
**First Annotated Entry Due: February 29, 2016**  
**Second Annotated Entry Due: March 28, 2016**

In discussion with the professor, **select two of Henri Nouwen's books** (300 page minimum total) to carefully review. For each book, write a 750-1000 word short essay summarize the core structure, content, and themes of the book giving careful attention to the detailed motifs attended to in the book. To complete the essay, include as much

detail about where this book fits in the Nouwen corpus, the core pastoral theological themes/motifs of the book, and a classification of the book content within the Nouwen corpus.

Template for Annotation:

- a. Title, date, publisher, etc.
- b. Information about where/when this book was written and for what purpose. Summary of Nouwen's stated aims for the book. Identify any particular circumstance that gave rise to the themes or motifs of the book.
- c. Description of core content of the book including motifs, themes, and structure of argument.
- d. Contribution to Nouwen's pastoral theology.
- e. Key insights gained and application of the volume in a variety of ministry contexts.

## 2. Group Discussion Notes

**15%**

**Due: weekly**

Each week a core textbook (sometimes two) from Nouwen's corpus will be discussed. Come prepared to interact with the discussion group that you are participating in. Bring your notes on the specific pastoral theological themes, motifs, and core ideas in the text. The notes should be abbreviated points of input on the wider pastoral theological approach of Henri Nouwen. You might have only one or two of these for each session from the core textbook. Emphasize something that really struck you as important, or significant from a pastoral theological perspective.

Here is an example of a possible notation:

Title: Can You Drink the Cup? Notre Dame: Ave Maria Press, 1996

p. 45 "...the true nature of the priesthood is a compassionate-being-with"

Note: Nouwen identifies participation with those with whom we are in community as the basis for pastoral action. He goes on to say, "Calling myself a priest today radically challenges me to let go of every distance, every little pedestal, every ivory tower, and just to connect my own vulnerability with the vulnerability of those I live with." (45) The call to 'let go of distance' and to 'step off the pedestal's reorients ministry as 'compassionate-being-with'.

Questions: How does this idea of 'compassionate-being-with' shape the content of ministry? What are the risks? What changes are required for ministering persons to 'connect our own vulnerability' with that of others?

Turn in your printed copy of your notes for collection and grading.

## 3. Specialization Assignment

**30%**

**Due: March 14, 2016**

### **Pastoral Studies Specialization**

#### **Write a spiritual retreat for lay leaders (8-10 pages)**

One aim of this course is to develop insight that will be of wider benefit to ecclesial communities. The goal of this exercise is to establish a spiritual experience that integrates the insight of core themes developed by course participants in a way that is accessible to the spiritual community of which one is a part. Develop a guided spiritual retreat using a core theme or motif in Nouwen's corpus. Using Nouwen's ideas, develop ways of accessing those ideas that would be useful for lay leaders who are in search of deeper integration in their spiritual journey. The format for the retreat schedule should incorporate these elements:

- a. a Friday night and all day Saturday retreat.
- b. spiritual exercises that are appropriate to the theme.
- c. incorporation of Nouwen's ideas as the guiding framework for theological reflection.
- d. clear objectives for the retreat and measures for testing outcomes.
- e. explanation of key elements of the retreat experience

### **Counselling and Spiritual Care Specialization**

#### **Write a counselling guide using Nouwen's core motifs in pastoral theology. (8-10 pages)**

Identify a core counselling or spiritual care topic or motif in Henri Nouwen's writings. Sift through the corpus to write up a guide for the spiritual care of persons in this area. The guide should integrate therapeutic approaches to a problem or key area of concern drawing extensively on Nouwen's pastoral theology. Some suggested topics could be: depression, marginalization, suicide prevention, compassion, spiritual growth, a particular emotion (joy, sadness, hope, etc.) or one of Nouwen's polarities. The guide should help pastoral care workers and therapists to appropriate Nouwen's ideas in a practical intervention giving clear strategies for helping.

## Christian Worldview Specialization

### Write a journal article for a Christian magazine or journal. (8-10 pages)

Selecting one of the core motifs or themes in Nouwen's corpus, write an article for a journal or magazine that is designed to help average persons who are seeking spiritual guidance or growth. The article should be focused on a specific theme and draw from at least 10 Nouwen books his ideas on a core theme such as prayer, solitude, meditation, spiritual reading, etc. Try to find a specific journal or magazine that you might like to contribute to and follow their format and guidelines for authors (ie. Conversations Journal [www.conversationsjournal.com](http://www.conversationsjournal.com); Christianity Today; Sojourners, etc.)

**Other specializations** should consult with the instructor on the nature of the assignment as it pertains to your area of special focus.

#### 4. Class Presentation (Final Exam)

25%

Due: April 4<sup>th</sup>

The class presentations will draw on your annotated bibliography entries. Deepening and augmenting what you wrote (which will be published in a collective bibliography from the whole course), offer perspective on how this shapes your own approach to pastoral theology. Using course texts and additional material of at least 5 other academic sources, develop a five page (double-spaced) summary of how the ideas from the books you studied translate into a focus for ministry. Pay close attention to the pastoral theological themes identified and explicate their importance for ministry.

The assignment will be graded according to:

- a. application to your own specialization
- b. contribution to the course objective of discerning Henri Nouwen's pastoral theology
- c. documentation and support for your core ideas
- d. clarity of presentation

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### Research Degree MA/PhD Requirements:

**n.b. There will be four additional required seminar sessions (date and time by mutual agreement) for Research Degree course participants. In these sessions we will discuss our core themes/motifs for presentation and shape the conversation of the advanced readings of Nouwen's corpus.**

#### 1. Course Reading Summary

10%

Due: March 28, 2016

The course is designed as an intensive reading course for advanced MA and PhD students in Ministry Studies at McMaster Divinity College. I ask that you carefully prepare the assigned readings for each class session and come prepared to discuss the issues that emerge from these readings. The course depends on the quality and depth of the reading of its participants. I strongly urge you to purchase your own reading copies of the course textbooks - mark them up, deliberate, plan your comments, and enter the class time eager to engage your colleagues on the themes of each session. Each participant will submit a summary of reading of the required core textbooks that indicates:

- a. the level of mastery of the content
- b. critical engagement with the core ideas

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### 4. Write an Academic Article and Prepare a Class Lecture on Henri Nouwen's Pastoral Theology

**Essay: 35%**

**Essay Due: April 4th**

**Class Lecture: 25%**

**Class Lecture: sign up for Mar. 21 or 28**

Write a 6000-7000 word essay or academic journal article on one (approved) core theme or motifs in Henri Nouwen's pastoral theology and prepare a class lecture on this approved theme [for presentation on either March 21, or 28<sup>th</sup>]. The paper should explore in careful detail one of the core motifs or themes developed by Henri Nouwen and how this theme or motif is worked out in his corpus. The theme should contribute to a heightened understanding of the underlying approach that Henri Nouwen used in developing his pastoral theology. The strength of the paper will be measured by:

- a. careful attention to his working assumptions about human nature, theology, spiritual life and ministry.
- b. thoroughness of exploring the core theme in the Henri Nouwen corpus.
- c. integration of the methods explored as they contribute to discussions of method in pastoral theology.
- d. originality of thought and importance of contribution.

**Late Papers: Late assignments will be docked 1% each late day . (Extensions will only be granted in exceptional circumstances such as extended illness, etc.)**

**Spacing and Styleguide: All assignments are to be double-spaced and follow the McMaster Divinity College Styleguide.**

**Hard Copy Submission: All assignments are due in hard copy by the end of office hours on that day (5 p.m.) Permission to submit electronic papers may be granted but must be secured from the course professor beforehand.**

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**College Style for Submission of Written Work:**

All written work—unless informed otherwise by the professor—is to be submitted in accordance with the *McMaster Divinity College Style Guide for Essays and Theses*, available on the McMaster Divinity College website.

**Statement on Academic Honesty:**

Academic dishonesty is a serious offence that may take any number of forms, including

plagiarism, the submission of work that is not one's own or for which previous credit has been obtained, and/or unauthorized collaboration with other students. Academic dishonesty can result in severe consequences, e.g. failure of the assignment, failure of the course, a notation on one's academic transcript, and/or suspension or expulsion from the College. Students are responsible for understanding what constitutes academic dishonesty. Please refer to the Divinity College Statement on Academic Honesty at <https://www.mcmasterdivinity.ca/programs/rules-regulations>.

**Gender Inclusive Language:**

McMaster Divinity College uses inclusive language for human beings in worship services, student written materials, and all of its publications. In reference to biblical texts, the integrity of the original expressions and the names of God should be respected. The NRSV and TNIV are examples of the use of inclusive language for human beings. It is expected that inclusive language will be used in chapel services and all MDC assignments.

**READ ON Bookstore:** Textbooks are available from READ ON Bookstore, Room 218 at MacDiv. Books may also be ordered from other sources such as READ ON Bookstore, 100 – 304 The East Mall, Etobicoke, ON M9B 6E2; Phone: 416.622.2934; Fax: 416.622.2308; Email: [books@readon.ca](mailto:books@readon.ca)

**Disclaimer:** This syllabus is the property of the instructor and is prepared with currently available information. The instructor reserves the right to make changes and revisions up until the first day of class.

**COURSE BIBLIOGRAPHY**  
**The Pastoral Theology of Henri Nouwen**

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