



ORIENTALE LUMEN XXIX
“NICAEA:
MEANING OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL
DIALOGUE FOR TODAY”

Addison Academic Center
Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, VA
February 14-15, 2025

*Co-sponsored by
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the Washington Theological Consortium and
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Speakers will present their reflections on the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea held in 325, and what it means for dialogue today and the future. The conference will take place on the campus of the Virginia Theological Seminary with four plenary sessions. The agenda will begin with an ecumenical prayer service on Friday morning. It will include Evensong Vespers and a “movie and pizza” on Friday evening. Then will conclude with Byzantine Vespers on Saturday afternoon. Each plenary will include a lecture by the speaker followed by a panel discussion and Q&A from the participants.

The annual ecumenism award of the Washington Theological Consortium and **Figel Lecture** will be Thursday evening, **February 13 (6-9 pm)**, with Fr John Behr and Dr. Katherine Sonderegger speaking on: “**Nicaea, Christian Unity, and Our Shared Life of Prayer.**” It is free and open to the public.

Speakers:

Bishop John Michael Botean
Romanian Catholic Eparchy of Canton, OH

Bishop John Bauerschmidt
Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee, Nashville, TN

Fr. John Behr
Professor of Humanity, University of Aberdeen, Scotland

Fr. Hyacinthe Destivelle
Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity, The Vatican

Dr. John Borelli, Moderator
Special Assistant to the President, Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Conference Fees:	Students of the Washington Theological Consortium	\$ FREE
	Faculty, Clergy and Religious	\$ 50.00
	Full Registration for All Others	\$ 75.00

Meals and accommodations are NOT included, except for the Friday evening “pizza party.” Hotels nearby include Hilton Alexandria Mark Center and Courtyard Marriott Alexandria. Lunch is available at the VTS refectory for \$15.00/day.

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