

# LIFE & DEATH IN THE MISSIONS OF NEW FRANCE AND EAST ASIA: NARRATIVES OF FAITH & MARTYRDOM



## An International Symposium

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The Ricci Institute for Chinese-Western Cultural History  
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*In collaboration with*

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons  
(Ontario Huronia Historical Parks)

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Midland, Ontario

Canada 

# PROGRAMME

**OCTOBER 18 (THURSDAY)**



- 12:00 p.m.: Arrival of conference participants and lunch at Regis College, University of Toronto (100 Wellesley St).
- 12:15–45 p.m.: Lunch followed by a presentation on the history of the Jesuits in France in the 17<sup>th</sup> century by Regis College President, Rev. Thomas Worcester, S.J.
- 1:30 p.m.: Bus departs for Midland
- 4:00 p.m.: Hotel check-in at the Quality Inn & Conference Centre in Midland
- 6:00 p.m.: Reception at the hotel
- 6:30 p.m.: Welcome dinner at the hotel

**OCTOBER 19 (FRIDAY)**

**Venue: Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons**



7:30 – 8:20 a.m.:

Breakfast (at the hotel)

8:30 a.m.:

Bus departing from the hotel for the Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons History Museum

9:00 – 10:45 a.m.:



### INTRODUCTORY PANEL

Chair: **Wu Xiaoxin** (Ricci Institute, University of San Francisco, USA)

**M. Antoni J. Ucerler**, S.J. (Ricci Institute, University of San Francisco, USA): *Life and Death in the Missions of New France & East Asia: 'Connected Histories' of Faith & Martyrdom.*

**Michael Knox**, S.J. (Martyrs' Shrine): *The Jesuit Martyrs of New France & Sainte-Marie among the Hurons.*

10:45 – 11:00 a.m.:

Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30 p.m.:

### PANEL I: CONTEXTS & FAITH



Chair: **Fred Hacker**, Esq. (Midland Cultural Centre)

Discussant: **Donald L. Baker** University of British Columbia, Canada & EDS-Stewart Chair, Ricci Institute, USA

**Tao Feiya** (Shanghai University, China): *On the online collective memory of the Christian martyrs of the Boxer incident (1900) in Shanxi province.*

**Kwon Youngpa** (for Prof. **Cho Kwang**, National Institute of Korean History): *The Historical Context for the Acceptance of Catholicism in Joseon Korea.*

**John L. Steckley** (Emeritus, Humber College, Canada): *Building Word Bridges Across a Cultural Divide: 17th Century Jesuits and the Wendat (Huron).*

**Lân Ngô**, S.J. (Loyola Marymount University, USA): *An Interpretation on the Nineteenth-Century Vietnamese Martyrdom according to Traditionally Established Codes of Exemplary Deified Deaths.*

12:40 p.m.:

Lunch

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.:



## **PANEL II: MISSIONARIES & ENCOUNTERS**

Chair: **William Baird** (General Manager of Huronia Historical Parks)

Discussant: **Robert Carbonneau, CP** (University of Scranton, USA)

**Eugenio Menegon** (Boston University, USA): *Bishop Bai's Cave: The Fujian Martyrs and the Politics of Martyrdom between China, the Philippines, and Europe, 18th century to the present.*

**Micah True** (University of Alberta, Canada): *The Transmission of Religious Experience in the Jesuit Relations from New France: The Case of the Torture and Death of Jean de Brébeuf.*

**Renzo De Luca, S.J.** (Jesuit Provincial of Japan): *Martyrdom in Japan as a new way of Cultural Encounter: The Influence of Christian Martyrdom in a non-Christian Culture.*

**Franklin Rausch** (Lander University, USA): *Seeking Sanctity in a Fallen World: Tension, Transformation, and Martyrdom in early Korean Catholicism.*

3:45 p.m.:

Bus departing for St. Ignace Village

4:10 – 5:10 p.m.:

Visit of St. Ignace Village Martyrdom Site

5:10 p.m.:

Bus departing for the hotel

### ***Free evening***

**OCTOBER 20 (SATURDAY)**

**Venue: Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons**

7:30 – 8:20 a.m.:

Breakfast (at the hotel)

8:30 a.m.:

Bus departing from the hotel for the Sainte-Marie Among the Hurons History Museum

9:00 – 10:30 a.m.:



10:30 – 11:00 a.m.:

11:00 – 12:30 p.m.:



### **PANEL III: IMPACTS & RESPONSES:**

Chair: **Nahanni Born** (Huron Museum)

Discussant: **Anthony E. Clark** (Whitworth University, USA)

**Kim Sung Hae**, S.C. (Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill, USA): *The Two-Edged Sword of Confucianism for the Early Korean Martyrs.*

**Abe Takao** (Yamagata Prefectural Yonezawa Women's Junior College, Japan): *A Connection between Japan Reports and New France Reports: The Cultural Impacts on Missionaries and the Responses of Evangelists.*

**Anh Q. Tran**, S.J. (Santa Clara University Jesuit School of Theology, USA): *Catholic Writings and the Formation of Catholic Identity in Seventeenth and Eighteenth-Century Vietnam.*

**Dong Shaoxin** (Fudan University, China): *Chinese Responses to Christian 'Thanatopsis' in the Seventeenth Century.*

Coffee break

### **PANEL IV: CRISIS & PERSECUTION:**

Chair: **Jamie Hunter** (Huron Archaeological Society of Midland)

Discussant: **Michael Knox**, S.J. (Martyrs' Shrine)

**Anthony E. Clark** (Whitworth University, USA): *From New France to the 'Civilizing Mission': Noël Chabanel and the Jesuit Martyrs of China.*

**Haruko Nawata Ward** (Columbia Theological Seminary, USA): *'Re-member' the Women Martyrs in Seventeenth-Century Japan.*

**Donald L. Baker** (University of British Columbia, Canada & EDS-Stewart Chair, Ricci Institute, USA): *Philosophy and Persecution: The Catholic Challenge to Korean Neo-Confucian Beliefs and Values.*

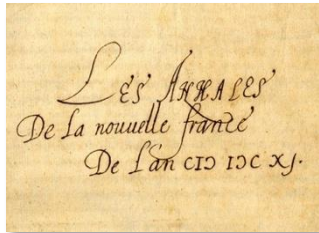
**Dominique Deslandres** (Université de Montréal, Canada): *'To the bone': Emotion and Relics at the Foundation of the French Missions in North America in the 17th Century.*

12:45 – 2:00 p.m.:

Lunch

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.:

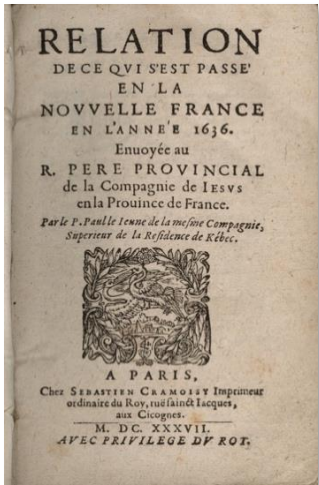
### **PANEL V: STORIES & TESTIMONIES**



Chair: **Rosemary Vyvyan** (Retired Manager of Programmes for Huronia Historical Museum)

Discussant: **Robert Danieluk, S.J.** (Roman Jesuit Archives, Italy [ARSI])

**Simon Hull** (Nagasaki Junshin University, Japan): *Fruits of Autumn: The Martyrs of the Urakami 'Yonban Kuzure'.*



**Debernier Janet Torrey** (University of Utah, USA): *Pilgrims in the Margins: The Meaning of the West to Early Korean Catholics.*

**Theresa Rowat** (Archives of the Jesuits in Canada, Montréal): *Voice, Materiality and Stewardship: An Archivist's Perspective.*

**Nhung Tuyet Tran** (University of Toronto, Canada): *Jesuit Teachings and Vietnamese Reception in Early Vietnamese Christianity, 1625-1700.*

3:45 p.m.:

Bus departing for the hotel

5:30 p.m.:

Bus departing for the Martyrs' Shrine

5:45 p.m.:

Arrival

6:00 p.m.:

Formal dinner

7:30 – 8:45 p.m.:

*Finding Repose – Women's Voices in New France*  
Concert by the iSacabuche! Ensemble (Dir. **Linda Pearse**)

9:00 p.m.:

Bus departing for the hotel

### **OCTOBER 21 (SUNDAY)** **Venue: Martyrs' Shrine**



7:30 – 8:30 a.m.: Breakfast (at the hotel)  
8:45 a.m.: Bus #1 departing for the Martyrs' Shrine  
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.: Holy Mass at the Jesuit Community Chapel  
9:30 a.m.: Bus #2 departing from the Martyrs' Shrine  
9:50 – 10:45 a.m.: Tour of the Grounds of the Martyrs' Shrine  
11:00 – 12:30 p.m.: **Concluding Roundtable Discussion**  
12:40 – 1:45 p.m.: Lunch  
2:00 p.m.: Bus departing for Toronto Pearson International Airport

