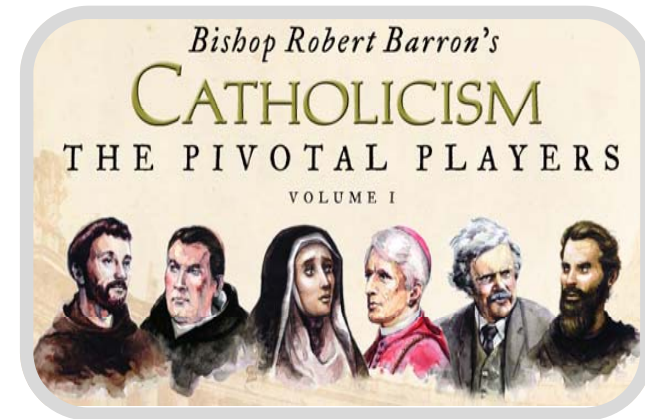


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## Faith & Reason Seminar

Tuesdays in Room 121

7:15 pm - 9:00 pm

Led by

Fr. Mario Arroyo & John Wincelowicz

*Jan. 24 - May 16*



## Sunday Morning Bible Study

Sundays in Room 119

11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Led by John Wincelowicz & J.D. King

*Jan. 22 - May 7*



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Bible Study Registration: The Pivotal Players

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Individual Registration with Study Guide (*recommended*): \$ 40.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Registration without Study Guide : \$ 20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Couples Registration with One Study Guide (*recommended*): \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Couples Registration without Study Guide: \$ 30.00 \_\_\_\_\_

The Pivotal Players Study Guide is Strongly Recommended (Spanish Study Guides can be ordered for \$ 27.00 ea.)

Check One: Sunday Morning: \_\_\_\_\_ Faith & Reason Seminar (Tuesday PM): \_\_\_\_\_



## **ST. CATHERINE of SIENA** *The Mystic*

Is the physical world all there is? Is science the only path to ascertaining truth? St. Catherine of Siena witnesses to a higher world beyond the material. Though the fourteenth century mystic never studied theology, and never learned how to read or write, her life constitutes a powerful challenge to the flattened-out secularism of our time.

## **G.K. CHESTERTON** *The Evangelist*

How does one engage a culture that is befuddled by Christ and suspicious of the Church? The life and witness of this nineteenth century literary convert shows that the fundamental disposition of effective evangelization is joy, and life in Christ is a day-to-day encounter with an abundant and surprising offer of grace.

## **MICHELANGELO** *The Artist*

The master of sculpture and painting is not a saint but serves as the privileged representative of the creative potential engendered by the Catholic Faith. The Church professes that beauty is a route of access to God, and through humanity's creative artistry we glimpse the power and glory of the Lord.

## **ST. FRANCIS** *The Reformer*

Rebuild my Church! That's the mission Christ gave to St. Francis and it's the perennial task of the Church in every age of its life. But how is the reform and renewal of the Church to be accomplished? The life of St. Francis demonstrates that Christ intends the foundations of true and lasting reform to be built on the solid rock that is the radical witness of the saints

## **ST. THOMAS AQUINAS** *The Theologian*

The relationship of faith and reason is under intense scrutiny in an age beholden to the competing claims of fundamentalism and secularism. So called "new atheists" insist that the claims of religion amount to mere superstition, a retrograde holdover from a time long ago. Others insist that the life of faith is a retreat into emotions and subjectivism. St. Thomas Aquinas anticipated these objections and trends and demonstrated that to believe is to think and that the life of the mind is integral to life in Christ.

## **BL. JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** *The Convert*

Is there any truth in matters of religion? Should the Church simply retreat in the face of the challenges of culture? John Henry Newman came into the Church as a convert and used his prodigious intellectual gifts to help the Church better understand its identity and mission and engage the challenges of a secular age.

## **The Pivotal Players Study Guide**

The Study Guide for *CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players* is the **best way** to immerse yourself fully into these holy men and women.

With the Study Guide you'll go deeper with top experts from around the world, including:

**Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa**, Franciscan priest and preacher to the papal household (St. Francis of Assisi)

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**Fr. Paul Murray, O.P.**, Dominican preacher and spiritual master (St. Catherine of Siena)

**Fr. Ian Ker**, world's leading Newman scholar (Bl. John Henry Newman)

**Dale Ahlquist**, founding president of the American Chesterton Society (G.K. Chesterton)

**Dr. Anthony Esolen**, professor of Renaissance English Literature at Providence College (Michelangelo)

***The Study Guide commentary was compiled under the direction and approval of Bishop Barron.***

Each Study Guide lesson provides details about the Pivotal Player's life and contributions to the culture. In addition, you'll find "Questions for Understanding" that support the teaching in the video and reference Scripture verses and sections from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. You'll also find several "Questions for Application" in each lesson to help you connect the material to your own life and experience.

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