Call for Papers

Catholicism after Five Years of a Francis Papacy
March 23-24, 2018

March 2018 marks five years since Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio was elected to the papacy. This conference will reflect on the state of Catholicism after five years of Pope Francis’s pontificate. We would like to invite papers that focus on key areas of Catholicism in order to analyze and reflect on how Pope Francis and his style of being pope have impacted and changed those areas.

Possible Topics

- Ecclesiology, e.g., reform of the Roman Curia
- Ecology (in light of the encyclical Laudato Si’)
- Francis and “anti-Francis” elements in the Catholic Church
- Francis as Seen from Outside the Catholic Church
- Liturgy
- Other salient aspects of the Francis pontificate and its effect on the broad Catholic tradition and the contemporary world
- Sex, marriage, and family life issues (in light of the encyclical Amoris Laetitiae)
- Social Justice and Peace Issues

Guidelines for Proposals

- Proposals should be no more than 500 words
- Include a 100 word précis
- Provide your name, institution and contact information, including email
- Indicate whether you require A/V equipment
- Deadline for Paper Proposals is December 8, 2017
- Please submit your proposals electronically to Dr. Julius-Kei Kato, CARCT@kings.uwo.ca
- You will be notified whether your proposal has been accepted by December 22, 2017