# Center for Italian Studies at the University of Pennsylvania

# The Monk, the Priest, the Nun

# 22-23 March 2013

# **Parallel Sessions**

Friday, March 22

11:00-12:00

# 1 – Medieval Poetry and Religion

Class of '55 Room, Van Pelt Library

### **David Bowe**

Oxford University

Title: Lyric poetry, lay brotherhood: (Frate) Guittone d'Arezzo

# Julia Bolton Holloway

Mediatheca 'Fioretta Mazzei'

Title: Piccarda: Lived Monasticism as Contextual Research

### **Umberto Taccheri**

Saint Mary's College

Title: Echi boeziani nella Beatrice "consolata" di Inferno II, 69

# 2 - Medieval Monasticism and its Legacy

Class of '54 Room, Van Pelt Library

# Elizabeth Weber

University of Illinois at Chicago

Title: Labora et ora: Nuns and monks in the Rosarius

# Kyunghee Pyun

**Pratt Institute** 

Title: Imago Cleribus: Representation of Monastic Identity in Late Medieval Illuminated

Service-Books

# Ranieri Moore Cavaceppi

American University

Title: Military Monks: The Italian Hospitaller Legacy

### 3 – Monks, Priests, and Nuns in *Decameron*

Weigle Information Commons Seminar Room, Van Pelt Library

### **Katherine Brown**

Skidmore College

Title: Changing Priests to Monks: Transformative Space in the Decameron

# **Erling Davidsen**

University College Lillebaelt, Denmark

Title: The Monk as a Social Caricature in Early European Novella

#### Elsa Filosa

Vanderbilt University

Title: Boccaccio and forced nuns

# 13:30-14:30

# 4 - Nuns in 17th Century Convents

Class of '55 Room, Van Pelt Library

# **Shannon McHugh**

New York University

Title: Communing with Cult Objects: Diodata Malvasia's Convent Chronicles

#### Elisa Modolo

University of Pennsylvania

Title: "L'abito fa la monaca": Arcangela Tarabotti's Reinterpretation of Secular and Religious Clothes

# **Meredith Ray**

University of Delaware

Title: Narrating Nuns: Literary Representations of Forced Enclosure

### 5 – Language and Religious Ideology

Class of '54 Room, Van Pelt Library

# **Ugo Perolino**

Università G. D'Annunzio di Chieti e Pescara

Title: Eros e Allegoria nel romanzo "Il Peccato" di Giovanni Boine

### Sergio Portelli

University of Malta

Title: Anti-clericalism in translation: Anti-Catholic ideology in the English translation of Giuseppe Garibaldi's *Clelia* (1870)

# Salvatore Pappalardo

Villanova University

Title: Faithful Forgeries: Translation and Enlightened Priesthood in Leonardo Sciascia's Il

Consiglio d'Egitto

# 6 – Priests and Monks in the 17<sup>th</sup> Century

Weigle Information Commons Seminar Room, Van Pelt Library

### **Lynn Westwater**

George Washington University

Title: The Priest as Fool. Sarra Copia Sulam's Manifesto and the Making of a Literary Controversy in 17th-century Venice

# **Crystal Hall**

University of Kansas Title: Galileo's Monks

### **Mario Pace**

University of Malta

Title: Don Carlo Magri e il suo contributo al teatro barocco maltese

# Saturday, March 23

11:00-12:00

# 7 – Religious Life and Writing

Golkin Room, Houston Hall

# Demetrio S. Yocum

University of Notre Dame

Title: "Linque literas": A Carthusian Monk's Prophecy in Petrarch's Seniles 1.5

# **Benjamin Williams**

Rider University

Title: French symbolists and metaphors of monasticism

### **Angelo Castagnino**

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Title: The Detective between Obscurantism and Renovation: Umberto Eco's Il nome della

rosa

### 8 – Sainthood, Transgression, and Gender

Room 220, Williams Hall

### **Doris Natia Cavallari**

Universidade de Saõ Paulo

Title: Confessione e "redenzione": l'esemplarità parodica di Ser Ciappelletto e Lazarillo de Tormes

#### Nicoletta Marini Maio

Dickinson College

Title: Old Tales, New Males: The Decamerotici and the Redefinition of Masculinity

#### **Paul Howard**

Balliol College – Oxford University

Title: "Cuann'è un vizzio er fregà": gender and the cloth in Belli's Sonetti romaneschi.

# 9 - The Church, Heresy, and Myth

Room 202, Williams Hall

### Stefania Segatori

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Title: Religione e modernità ne Il Santo di Antonio Fogazzaro

### **Meriel Tulante**

Philadelphia University

Title: Falsi preti: The 'quistone' in Sebastiano Vassalli's La chimera and Beyond

### **Norman Rusin**

University of Pennsylvania

Title: *Illazioni su una sciabola*: truth and myth filtered through faith, understanding and forgiveness.

# 13:30-14:30

# 10 - Tales of Vocation and Forced Monacation

Golkin Room, Houston Hall

### John Alcorn

Trinity College, CT

Title: Fateful Choices: Ludovico and Gertrude in I promessi sposi

# Silvia Valisa

Florida State University

Title: "Una monaca non come le altre": Gertrude as the Problematic Character in *I promessi sposi*.

### Gabriella Romani

Seton Hall University

Title: Nunnery in the Ottocento: Public Debates and Literary Responses

# 11 - Culture, Politics, and Religion across the Ages

Room 220, Williams Hall

### Paola Giuli

St Joseph's University

Title: Prospero Lambertini and the Accademia degli Arcadi (1695-1722)

### **Amanda Minervini**

**Brown University** 

Title: The Parallel Lives of St. Francis of Assisi and Benito Mussolini

# Laura Lori

University of South Australia

Title: Ciyaal missioni: Italian stolen generation. Representation of the colonial and religious encounter between Italy and Somalia

# 12 - Religious Figures in Visual Media

Room 202, Williams Hall

### Stefania Benini

University of Pennsylvania

Title: Pasolini's Saint Paul: Sickness and Saintliness

# Francesca Parmeggiani

Fordham University, New York

Title: Testing Feminism: Alina Marazzi's Per sempre

### Giancarla Vanoli

University of Oxford

Title: Ci vuole la tonaca in TV ... Preti e suore nella fiction