Library Newsletter

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THE SEMINARY FOUNDATION FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDIES LIBRARY
Tal-Virtù, Rabat

Qed naħdmu qatigħ biex ikunu ħafna dawk li jibbenefikaw mil-Librerija tas-Seminarju u tal-Fondazzjoni għall-Istudji Teoloġiċi.

Għandna xewqa li aktar nies isiru jafu bil-ġid ta' kotba li għandna għad-dispożizzjoni: studenti, seminaristi, lajċi, għalliema, nies professjonisti, katekisti, operaturi pastorali, youth-workers, qassisin, patrijiet u sorijiet, kummissjonijiet fi ħdan l-Arċidjoċesi u dawk interessati li jikbru fit-tagħlim u l-formazzjoni, partikularment dik Nisranija.

Bdejna nsaħħu r-rabtiet kollha li għandna biex flimkien nagħmlu użu aħjar mill-minjiera ta' kotba li tissarraf f'tagħlim tant meħtieġ f'kull żmien.

Kun aġġornat dwar il-Librerija permezz tal-paġna Facebook li għandna, u nitolbuk biex tħeġġeġ u tistieden lill-kollegi u lil sħabek kollha. ◈

Fr John Berry
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Library Opening Hours:

Mornings
Monday to Saturday
08:30 – 12:00

Evenings
Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays
15:30 – 19:30

Thursday
16:00 – 18:30

"Wrestling with God"

Public Lecture
by
Prof. Peter Vassallo

- 1st March 2016
- at 6.30 pm
- Theological Library, Rabat

RSVP: library@seminary.org.mt
☎ 21455497 ext. 5108

"Il-Librerija post ta' diskussjoni pubblika"

Dr Bernard Micallef

Il-Kap tad-Dipartiment tal-Malti fl-Universita ta' Malta

It-taħdita "Hekk Tħabbat il-Qalb Maltija," li saret fil-Librerija tas-Seminarju mill-Prof. Oliver Friggieri, kienet serata attraenti li matulha l-kelliem stieden lill-udjenza numeruża ssegwi għadd ta' riflessjonijiet, aneddoti storiċi, u perspettivi morali u politiċi rigward il-mentalità Maltija, l-aktar it-tendenza tal-Maltin li jirraġunaw permezz tal-opposti u jaraw id-dinja tagħhom skont id-dikotomija "aħna u huma".

Bir-riflessjonijiet tipikament elokwenti u umoristiċi tiegħu, il-Prof. Friggieri ħoloq fil-Librerija tas-Seminarju atmosfera kulturalment u filosofikament dinamika, u b'hekk wettaq il-ħsieb li l-Librerija ssir post ta' diskussjoni pubblika dwar suġġetti kurrenti. Il-proċess biex titkabbar il-Melitensia hu parti oħra mill-istess inizjattiva biex il-Librerija tas-Seminarju ssir ċentru ħaj ta' xogħlijiet u dibattiti li jiġbdu aktar nies. Ħajr lir-Rev. Dr John Anthony Berry ta' din l-intrapriża. ◈

seminary.org.mt/library/suggestions

Suggest New Books

If you wish to suggest the acquisition of new books, kindly fill in the form below.

Name (required)

Email (required)

Book details (required)

Grazzi lill-Benefatturi

Għal darba oħra nħossuna fid-dmir li nuru apprezzament lejn diversi donaturi u benefatturi tal-Librerija. Żgur li bla sostenn, il-Librerija ma timxix 'il quddiem.

Għal daqstant grazzi wkoll lil Mgr Paul Raggio, il-mibki Fr Eric Overend, l-Professur Anthony Aquilina, Mr Fabian Mangion, Mr Paul Vella u l-Akkademja tal-Malti.

Proġetti

Elenchus Bibliographicus – Inħossu l-ħtieġa li naġġornaw il-lista ta' kitbiet akkademiċi. Beħsiebna nkomplu r-riċerka ta' din ix-xorta ta' Mons. Arturo Bonnici (pubblikazzjoni tal-Università Rjali ta' Malta, 1966) u ta' Ms Ġemma Barbara u Ms Dorothy Borg Galea (Kitbiet tal-Lekċerers tal-Fakultà tat-Teoloġija li tasal sal-1988).

Katalgu Onlajn ta' kitbiet Teoloġiċi bil-Malti – Bdejna niġbru informazzjoni sabiex infasslu indiċi tematiku u skont il-kunjom. Sa issa ħdimna u kważi lestejna l-perjodiku *Problemi tal-lum*.

Websajt – Bħalissa qed niġbru l-informazzjoni kollha biex ikollna websajt aġġornata u aċċessibbli. Il-membri tat-tim tal-Websajt huma Pierre Bellia, Chris Bugeja, Dorianne Buttigieg, Gavin Muscat u Rebecca Wellman.

Facebook – Kultant żmien fil-paġna tal-Facebook tal-Librerija qegħdin inġibu riċensjonijiet fil-qosor tal-kotba li nixtru. Dan hu mezz kif inżommukom aġġornati dwar l-aħħar akkwisti.

Pamphlet informattiv – Kull min iżur il-Librerija se jkun mgħarraf bis-servizzi kollha li toffri l-Librerija. Bħalissa qed tinġabar l-informazzjoni kollha li ser tkun ukoll aċċessibbli fuq il-websajt tal-istess librerija.

Book Fair

- L-Iskola tas-Seminarju ir-Rabat.

Is-Sibt 23 ta' April

09:00 sa 12:00

16:00 sa 1900

Il- Hadd 24 ta' April

09:00 sa 19:00

25 Years of Service at the Library

Ms Irene Dye

Library Staff member

I started working at the Seminary / Foundation for Theological Studies Library in 1991. At that time the Librarian was Ms Gemma Barbara, while Mr Ġużè Cassar Pullicino was the Archivist. Four years ago when Ms Barbara retired, Ms Dora Castorina was employed as the new Librarian.

In 1999, an extension to the Library was built in order to make space for the ever-increasing volumes of Journals that are received every year.

One particular change took place when we it was decided to have our Library records on the computer. This meant that we had to input all the books' data in the shortest time possible.

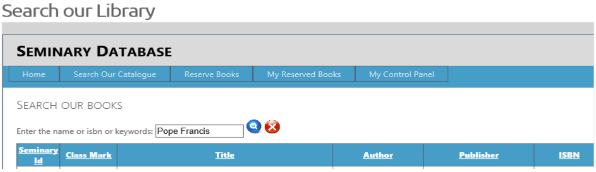
> **"I saw many changes taking place in the Library".**

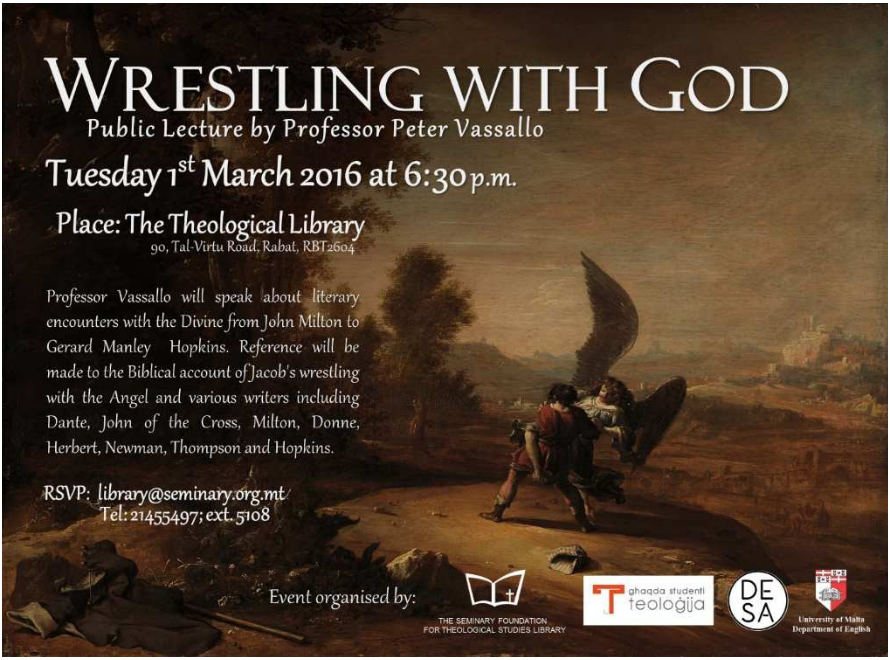
The Library specialises in theology and philosophy. It has about 40,000 books that include Philosophy, Patrology, Theology, Bio-ethics, Church History, Canon Law and Scripture.

The Library also receives a large quantity of Journals, such as *Acta Apostolicae Sedis* (which dates back to 1909), *La Civiltà Cattolica* (dating back to 1850), *L'Osservatore Romano*, *Concilium*, *Regno* etc. There is also a small section of the Library dedicated to biographies and books written by the Maltese Clergy.

Although the Library is a theological one, it is open to the general public for borrowing of books or research. ◈

Have you used our online catalogue?





Mill-kotba li rċevejna

Irċevejna għall-*Melitensia*
"Asylum and Migration Glossary 3.0" publikazzjoni tal-*European Migration Network* (EMN).

Dan hu maqlub għall-Malti mill-Professur Toni Aquilina mid-Dipartiment tat-Traduzzjoni, it-Terminoloġija u l-Istudji tal-Interpretazzjoni.

Il-Professur Aquilina kien it-traduttur uffiċjali għall-kumpilazzjoni tal-kliem bil-Malti għall-Glossarju tal-istess ktieb. Dan kien parti minn proġett li tlesta fit-3 ta' Diċembru 2015. Dan ser ikompli jagħni l-ġabra sħiħa tal-Melitensja. ◈

Help Us to Help You in Your Research

Ms Janet Caruana

Library Staff member

When it comes to writing a thought-provoking dissertation or a stimulating essay, there is a simple secret. It entails in answering a basic question: Have you carefully planned your research?

Good marks are not necessarily the results of one's impressive writing skills or wide knowledge. The learning process rests undoubtedly on one's careful research and willingness to discover and to be challenged by new ideas.

This secret is nothing less than a formula to academic success! It is the precious key to knowledge! Said in other simple words: "a fruitful and a rewarding research depends on one's familiarity with a specific library".

> "Research is fun and truly rewarding"

That is absolutely true. When it comes to studying Theology, Philosophy, Scripture or Spirituality or Psychology or other related areas in the pastoral field, the Seminary Foundation for Theological Studies Library is the best on the Maltese islands. It has more than 40,000 books and around 150 periodicals for the perusal of its members.

I suggest three steps for good results through one's research: 1. to visit and to familiarise oneself with the library, 2. to learn how to locate the books one needs, and 3. to keep regular contact & be informed of the latest books in print.

In the end, success depends on who's embarking on a journey starting with the very first step just mentioned. Just one last thing. Feel free to visit the Library and to ask any of the librarians for help. ◈

Ħajr lill-kollaboraturi tal-Librerija

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