

**THE DYNAMITE OF THE CHURCH:
RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM**

- 1/16 INTRODUCTION:
NEITHER RESTORATIONIST NOR REVOLUTIONIST,
NEITHER LIBERAL NOR CONSERVATIVE,
BOTH CATHOLIC AND RADICAL
- 1/18 DOROTHY DAY BEFORE THE CATHOLIC WORKER (1):
A PARTICULAR KIND OF SEARCHING
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 1-36)
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings* (pp. xi-xli)
- 1/23 DOROTHY DAY BEFORE THE CATHOLIC WORKER (2):
COMMUNISM, SOCIALISM, ANARCHISM, AND THE OLD LEFT
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 36-109)
The Zwicks, "Dorothy Day & the Catholic Worker Movement" [CP 1-27]
Randolph Bourne, "The State" [CP 28-41]
- 1/25 DOROTHY DAY BEFORE THE CATHOLIC WORKER (3):
THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THE I.W.W.
- Assignment Joyce Kornbluh, "Down in the Mines" [CP 42-55]
Big Bill Haywood, "The General Strike" [CP 56-63]
Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, "Truth About the Patterson Strike" [CP 64-76]
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings* (pp. 144-150)
- Movie: "Matewan" (day and time to be announced)
- Paper Option (due: in class)

- 1/30 DOROTHY DAY BEFORE THE CATHOLIC WORKER (4):
FROM THE NATURAL HAPPINESS TO SUPERNATURAL LOVE
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 111-166)
Francis Thompson, "The Hound of Heaven" [CP 77-80]
- Paper Option (Due: in class)
- 2/1 ENTER PETER MAURIN, PEASANT OF THE PAVEMENT
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness*, (pp. 169-204)
Peter Maurin, *Easy Essays* (selections)
Eric Gill, "Art" [CP 81-87]
- Trip to the Snite: "Eric Gill Exhibit" (date and time to be announced)
- 2/6 PETER MAURIN:
ENVISIONING "A SOCIETY WHERE IT IS EASIER TO BE GOOD"
- Assignment Peter Maurin, *Easy Essays* (selections)
Marc Ellis, "To Bring the Social Order To Christ" [CP 88-104]
- Paper Option (Due: in class)
- 2/8 RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM (1): PRAYER,
SPIRITUALITY, AND THE SAINTS
- Assignment Brigid O'Shea Merriman, *Searching for Christ* (excerpts) [CP 105-119]
Dostoevsky, *The Brothers Karamozov* (excerpts) [CP 120-148]
- 2/13 RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM (2): THE LITURGY
- Assignment Virgil Michel, *The Social Question* (excerpts) [CP 149-195]
Michael Baxter, "Re-Introducing Virgil Michel" [CP 196-210]
- Paper Option (Due: in class)
- 2/15 RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM (3): THE RETREAT
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 243-263)
John J. Hugo, *Your Ways Are Not My Ways* (excerpts) [CP 211-234]

2/20 RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM (4): PERSONALISM

Assignment The Zwicks, "Mournier, Personalism, & Catholic Worker" [CP 235-269]
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings* (pp. 91-119, 127-132)

Paper Option (Due: in class)

2/22 RESOURCES FOR CATHOLIC RADICALISM (5):
AGRARIANISM AND DISTRIBUTISM

Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 204-235)
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings* (pp. 241-257)
The Zwicks, "Distributism: Economics Worthy of Person" [CP 270-326]

2/27 TOWARDS A THEOLOGY OF CATHOLIC RADICALISM (1):
FURFEY ON SUPERNATURAL SOCIOLOGY

Assignment Paul Hanly Furfey, *Fire on the Earth* (pp. 1-78) [CP 327-372]

3/1 EXCURSUS: NATURE AND THE SUPERNATURAL

Assignment Paul McPartlan, *Sacrament of Salvation* (excerpts) [CP 422-430]

3/6 TOWARDS A THEOLOGY OF CATHOLIC RADICALISM (2):
FURFEY ON CONFORMISM AND NON-PARTICIPATION

Assignment Paul Hanly Furfey, *Fire on the Earth* (pp. 79-156) [CP 372-412]
Paul Hanly Furfey, *The Mystery of Iniquity* (excerpts) [CP 413-421]

3/8 PAUL HANLEY FURFEY: MID-CENTURY PROPHET
OR CHAPLAIN TO "THE CHURCH IRRELEVANT"?

Assignment Eugene McCarragher, "The Church Irrelevant: Paul Hanly Furfey and the
Fortunes of American Catholic Radicalism." [CP 431-447]

Paper Due: March 8, 2:00 pm (in class)

BREAK

- 3/20 “WE CONTINUE OUR PACIFIST STAND”:
THE CATHOLIC WORKER DURING WORLD WAR II
- Assignment Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness* (pp. 263-273)
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings* (pp. 261-270)
- 3/22 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 1:
SHOULD DOROTHY DAY HAVE INSISTED THAT ALL CATHOLIC
WORKER HOUSES TAKE THE PACIFIST STAND?
- Assignment Mel Piehl, *Breaking Bread* (excerpts) [CP]
- 3/27 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 2:
HOW VIABLE IS THE CATHOLIC WORKER VISION OF
DECENTRALIZED LABOR AND GOING BACK TO THE LAND?
- Assignment Mel Piehl, *Breaking Bread* (excerpts) [CP]
- 3/29 EXCURSUS ON POLITICS: THE TRUE *POLIS*
AND THE "POLITICS" OF THE MODERN STATE
- Assignment
- 4/3 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 3:
WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE?
- Dorothy Day, *Loaves and Fishes* (excerpts)
Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings*
Daniel Berrigan, *Trial of the Catonsville Nine* (excerpts)
- 4/5 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 4:
SHOULD CHRISTIANS COOPERATE WITH THE STATE?
- Robert Coles, *Dorothy Day: A Radical Devotion*

- 4/10 EXCURSUS ON SCRIPTURE: HOW TO READ THE BIBLE
- 4/12 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 5:
DOES GOD COMMAND THE IMPOSSIBLE?
- 4/17 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 6:
CATHOLIC RADICALS IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY
- 4/19 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 7:
THE PRACTICE OF HOSPITALITY
- 4/24 EXCURSUS ON THEORY: “A THEORY OF REVOLUTION”
- 4/26 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION 8:
THE PRACTICE OF THEORY
- 5/1 CONCLUDING ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:
“AND IT IS STILL GOING ON”—
ON THE FUTURE OF THE CATHOLIC WORKER MOVEMENT