

# The Church Up Close

## Covering Catholicism in the Age of Benedict XVI

Rome, September 6-12, 2010

# SCHEDULE

## Overview

Building on its successful monthly-seminar series for Rome-based Vatican correspondents, the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome is offering a second edition of its intensive one-week Seminar in English, *The Church Up Close: Covering Catholicism in the Age of Benedict XVI*. The Seminar is designed for foreign journalists who cover the Roman Catholic Church.

Combining class-room seminars, personal meetings, and on-site visits, the Seminar gives journalists an array of tools to strengthen their coverage: a basic sense of the lay of the land at the Vatican; a serious, in-depth analysis of specific hot-button issues confronting today's Church; a personal introduction to some knowledgeable insiders and key players in Rome; a taste of the rich history and culture behind contemporary Church affairs; a chance to dialogue, in an ideal setting, with journalists from around the world, on the complex relationships between religion and the media.

## Contents

### CLASSES

The classroom sessions will deal with issues of culture and religion (inter-religious dialogue, science and faith, social and bio-ethical



topics), the Church and the media (public opinion, Vatican coverage, access and transparency) and the nature and structure of the Catholic Church and the Holy See (its organization and role in international politics).

### ENCOUNTERS AND WORKING LUNCHES

Personal meetings will offer a chance to get to know key curial officials, Vatican media officials and veteran Rome correspondents.

### ON-SITE VISITS

The program includes visits to St. Peter's Basilica, the "Scavi" (the Roman necropolis beneath the present-day basilica), the Sistine Chapel, the Vatican Press Office, a Papal audience, and other sites of interest.

More information (biographical data about the speakers, endorsements, schedule, etc.) may be found at the Seminar website:

[www.church-communication.net](http://www.church-communication.net)

## What others have said...

"It can take years to get to know the policies and the players of the Vatican. But *The Church Up Close* gave me instant access and understanding. It unlocked many mysteries, and gave me the tools to dig deeper. I'm so glad I participated and have recommended it to friends and colleagues." - ARI GOLDMAN, *Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism*, USA

"No fewer than 18 seminars covering everything from bioethics, Islam, and 'the long shadow of Galileo' explained why the Church takes the stands it does. Talking to the Vatican's best scholars gave me insights, contacts, and story ideas that I could not have obtained any other way." - JENNIFER M. GREEN, *Ottawa Citizen*, Senior Writer, Faith and Ethics

"*The Church Up Close* seminar was an invaluable immersion into the living heart of the Catholic Church" - PAUL KEENAN, Features Editor, *The Irish Catholic*

"Any journalist who has to deal with spirituality, faith, religious organisations or churches, and especially the Catholic Church, will benefit enormously from seminar. It offers a unique and invaluable opportunity for journalists to come to grips with the single most important Christian Church in the heart of the city whose name is synonymous with Christianity." - PETER ROSENGREN, Managing Editor, *The Record*, Perth, Western Australia

## MONDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

9.00 - 9.45

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Rev. Prof. John Wauck  
*Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

9.45 - 11.00

### NATURE AND MISSION: WHAT IS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

Rev. Prof. Paul O'Callaghan  
*Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

11.00 - 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 - 12.45

### THE WHOLE AND ITS PARTS: HOW THE CHURCH IS ORGANIZED

Rev. Prof. Brian Ferme  
*St. Pius X Institute of Canon Law Venice*

12.45 - 13.15

### GREETINGS

Rev. Prof. Luis Romera  
*Rector, Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

13.15 - 15.00

### LUNCH

15.30 - 17.00

### ENCOUNTER WITH "VATICANISTI"

Patricia Thomas  
*Associated Press*  
John Thavis  
*Catholic News Service*

17.00 - 19.00

### ENCOUNTER

### CHURCH DIPLOMACY: THE VATICAN SECRETARIAT OF STATE

Msgr. Peter Wells  
*Secretariat of State*

## TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

8.30 - 12.00

### VISIT TO THE SISTINE CHAPEL AND ST. PETER'S BASILICA

Prof. Elizabeth Lev  
*Duquesne University*

12.30 - 13.30

### ENCOUNTER

### THE PRESS OFFICE OF THE HOLY SEE

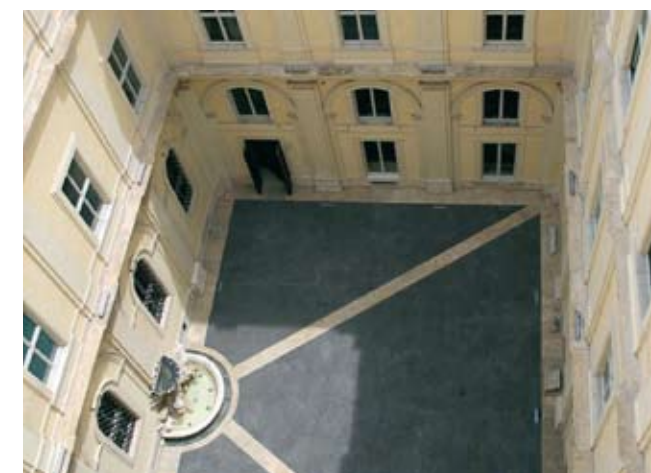
Fr. Federico Lombardi  
*Director*

17.00 - 19.00

### ENCOUNTER

### THE HOLY OFFICE: MYTHS AND REALITY

Msgr. Charles Brown  
*Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith*



## WEDNESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER

10.30 - 12.00

### PAPAL AUDIENCE (ST. PETER'S SQUARE)



### VISIT TO THE SCAVI VATICANI

13.00 Group 1  
13.15 Group 2

17.00 - 19.00  
**HAS THE COVERAGE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH CHANGED AFTER JOHN PAUL II?**  
Prof. Norberto González Gaitano  
*Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

## THURSDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

9.00 - 10.30

### FACING THE STEM CELL BIOTECH FRONTIER

Prof. Angelo L. Vescovi  
*Università di Milano Bicocca & Cerebral Stem Cell Bank, Terni*

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.30

### CATHOLIC IDENTITY AND PUBLIC LIFE

Card. James Francis Stafford  
*Major Penitentiary Emeritus of the Apostolic Penitentiary*

13.15 - 15.00

### WORK LUNCH

### THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

Msgr. Fortunatus Nwachukwu  
*Head of Protocol Vatican Secretariat of State*

17.00 - 19.00

### ENCOUNTER

### ANGLICANS AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - NEWMAN'S BEATIFICATION

Msgr. Patrick Burke  
*Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith*  
Jack Valero  
*Spokesman for Newman's Beatification*



## FRIDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

9.00 - 10.30

### HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCIES, AS SEEN FROM THE CHURCH

Card. Peter K.A. Turkson  
*President, Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace*

10.30 - 11.00 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.30

### PIUS XII AND THE JEWS AND OTHER CURRENT CONTROVERSIES

Rev. Prof. David Maria A. Jaeger, OFM  
*Pontifical University Antonianum*

13.15 - 15.00

### WORK LUNCH

### CHRISTIAN MINORITIES IN TROUBLED LANDS

Michele Zanzucchi  
*Director, Città Nuova*

17.00 - 19.00

### THE BIBLE, GOSPEL AND GnosticISM

Rev. Prof. Bernardo Estrada  
*Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

## SATURDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

9.00 - 10.00

### NATURAL SCIENCES IN THE WORK OF THEOLOGIAN

Rev. Prof. Rafael Martínez  
*Pontifical University of the Holy Cross*

10.00 - 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 - 11.30

### ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Prof. Stefano Zamagni  
*University of Bologna*

11.45 - 13.15

### PRESENTING POPE BENEDICT XVI TO THE WORLD

13.30 - 15.00

### WORK LUNCH

### THE CHURCH AND THE DIGITAL WORLD

Msgr. Lucio Ruiz  
*Head, Vatican Internet Office*  
Prof. Daniel Arasa  
*Pontifical Univ. of the Holy Cross*



## SUNDAY 12 SEPTEMBER

10.00

### DAY TRIP

13.15 - 15.00

### WORK LUNCH - COMMUNICATION FOR WORLWIDE CHURCH EVENTS

Prof. Yago de la Cierva  
*Director of Communications World Youth Day, Madrid 2011*



## Eligibility

Any active journalists writing for newspapers, magazines, wire services, radio, television, or online news organizations may apply. Priority will be given to journalists covering religion. The Seminar is open to journalists from all countries, but fluency in English is required. The number of participants is limited.

## Process of admission

Application and registration can only be done online at the seminar website:  
<http://www.church-communication.net/>

### How to apply

Candidates should fill out an online application form and attach a curriculum vitae (CV) in a digital format (word, pdf, rtf, etc.).

## Cost

800 €

Includes:

- Registration and participation in all the activities (classes, encounters and visits)
- Educational materials
- Lunch for 5 days
- Travel in Rome for seminar activities and visits

## Venue

**School of Church Communications  
Pontifical University of the Holy Cross**

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### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Fr. John Wauck (President), Daniel Arasa, Manuel Sánchez, Sergio Destito and Ashley Noronha (coordinator)

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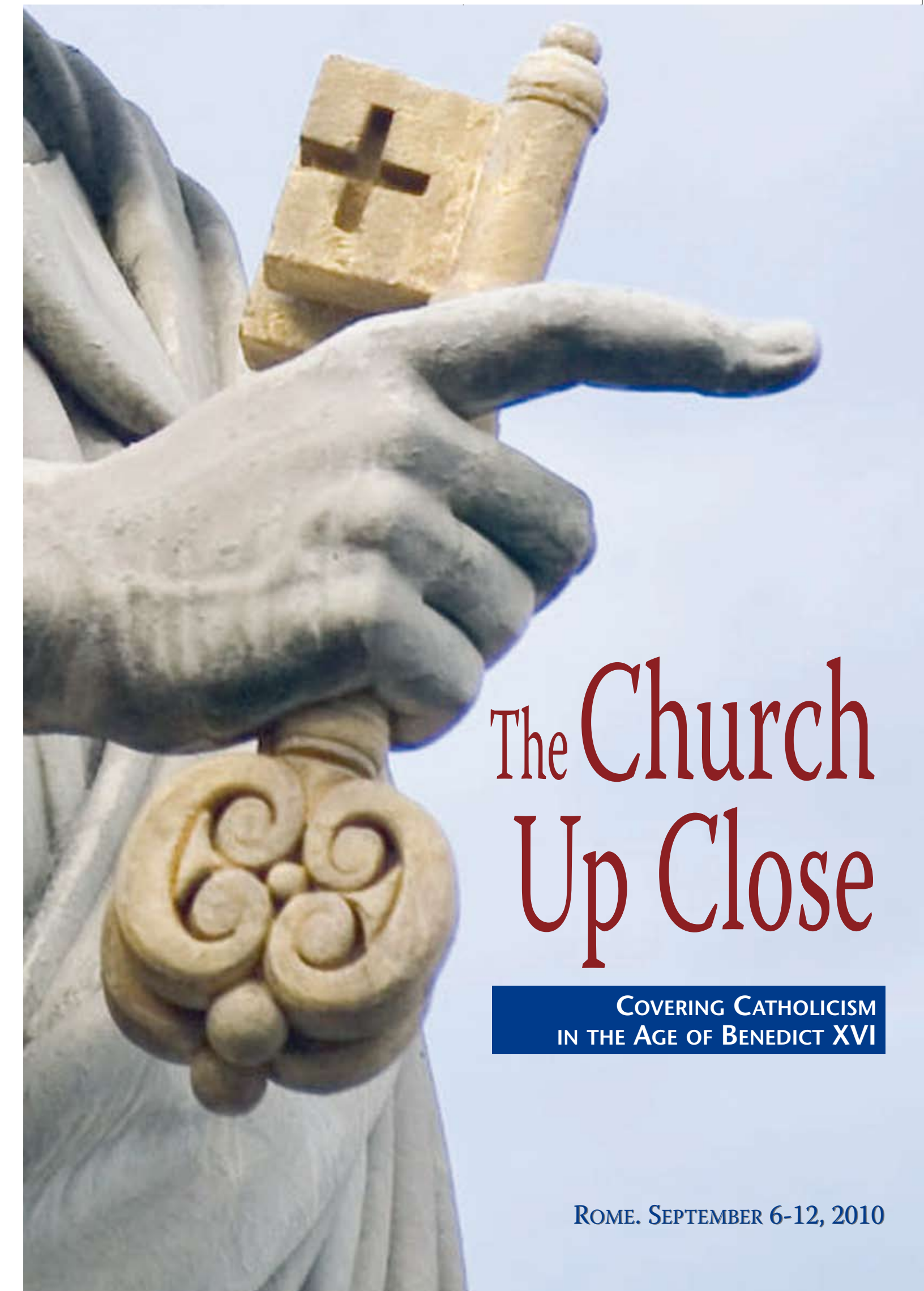


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### Registration and payment

Applicants admitted should register and make payment online before **June 30, 2010**.

## Scholarships

Candidates may request a partial scholarship of up to 600 €. The application for the scholarship should be made online (on the same page as the application form).

Scholarship request deadline: **June 1, 2010**. Applicants will be notified of scholarship status on or before **June 15, 2010**.

## Lodging

The organizing committee does not arrange for the lodging of the participants. A list of possible accommodations in Rome may be consulted at the Seminar website:  
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