

## OCABS SEMINAR 2008



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FOR THE  
ADVANCEMENT OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

*To educate, inspire and challenge the faithful  
to rediscover the centrality of sound biblical interpretation  
for life in Christ...*

### LOCATION

The Carondelet Center

<http://www.carondeletcenter.org/>

1890 Randolph Ave., St. Paul, MN, 55105

The Carondelet Center, built in 1912 by French-born architect Emmanuel Louis Masqueray, is a stately stone and brick building that originally served as the Novitiate for the Sisters of St. Joseph. Today it provides a quiet place of rest, prayer, and reflection for individuals and groups on retreat and as a conference center for small to mid-sized groups. Carondelet Center is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, St. Paul Province.

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### SCHEDULE

#### Friday, August 22

Evening check-in

#### Saturday, August 23

8:00 AM – Breakfast

9:00 AM – Lecture 1

*(Breaks and Q&A at the speaker's discretion.)*

12:00 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Lecture 2

4:00 PM – Break

4:30 PM – Panel Discussion / Q&A

5:30 PM – Great Vespers

6:00 PM – Dinner

#### Sunday, August 24

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy *(at the convent chapel)*

Homilist: Very Rev. Dr. Paul N. Tarazi (St. Vladimir's Seminary)

11:30 AM – Fellowship / Informal Q&A

### TOPICS

#### Lecture 1: Food Offered to Idols in Roman Corinth

Dr. John Fotopoulos (Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame) examines temples and cults in Roman Corinth to ascertain locations, attractions, and meanings for formal sacrificial food consumption. He also uses ancient rhetorical theory to argue that St. Paul's instructions in 1 Cor. 8:1-11 are a coherent prohibition of intentional idol-food consumption.

#### Lecture 2: When Worlds Collide: Archaeology and the Bible and the Case of Bethsaida-Tzer

Dr. Nicolae Roddy (Creighton University) discusses his work at the Bethsaida Excavations, the site of a recently rediscovered city located near the northern shore of the biblical Sea of Galilee. Bethsaida lay abandoned and in ruins, covered over by the dust of the ages until its rediscovery and identification in the early 1990s.

#### Panel Discussion:

#### Biblical Scholarship for Non-scholars

Panelists: Very Rev. Dr. Paul N. Tarazi, Dr. John Fotopoulos, Dr. Nicolae Roddy

**REGISTRATION AND BOARDING FEES TO BE ANNOUNCED**

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