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# JESUS and the PHARISEES

## An Interdisciplinary Reappraisal

On the Occasion of the 110th Anniversary of  
the Biblical Institute's Founding, May 7, 1909

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The conference first examines the various ancient sources about the Pharisees (Josephus, Qumran, archaeological data, the New Testament, and Rabbinic Literature). The second part will be devoted to the history of interpretation, from Patristic Literature, to Medieval Jewish interpretations, to Passion Plays, the Movies, Religion Text Books, and Homiletics. In the end, we will look at possible ways to represent the Pharisees less inadequately in the future.

### SPEAKERS

Harold ATTRIDGE Yale University  
Philip CUNNINGHAM St. Joseph's University  
Yair FURSTENBERG Hebrew University, Jerusalem  
Juan Manuel GRANADOS Pontifical Biblical Institute  
Massimo GRILLI Pontifical Gregorian University  
Angela LA DELFA University of Maryland University College  
Amy-Jill LEVINE Vanderbilt University  
Hermut LÖHR Universität Bonn  
Steve MASON Rijksuniversiteit Groningen  
Eric MEYERS Duke University  
Craig MORRISON Pontifical Biblical Institute

Vered NOAM Tel Aviv University  
Henry PATTARUMADATHIL Pontifical Biblical Institute  
Adele REINHARTZ University of Ottawa  
Rabbi David ROSEN AJC (American Jewish Committee)  
Jens SCHRÖTER Humboldt-Universität Berlin  
Matthias SKEB Pontifical Gregorian University  
Rabbi Abraham SKORKA St. Joseph's University  
Günter STEMBERGER Universität Wien  
Christian STÜCKL Artistic Director of Münchner Volkstheater & Oberammergau Passion Play  
Adela YARBRO COLLINS Yale University  
Alan FOGARTY, SJ President of the Gregorian University Foundation

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## MAY 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

08.00-08.45	Pick up badges and conference material
09.00-09.15	Greetings and Introduction <b>Michael F. KOLARCIK, S.J.</b> Rector of the Pontifical Biblical Institute <b>Rabbi David ROSEN</b> AJC – American Jewish Committee <b>Joseph SIEVERS</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
MODERATOR	<b>Peter DUBOVSKY, S.J.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
09.15-10.00	<b>Craig MORRISON, O. Carm.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute What's in a Name? Interpreting the Name "Pharisee" Through the Centuries
10.00-10.45	<b>Steve MASON</b> Rijksuniversiteit Groningen Josephus' Pharisees: Sketches by a Close Observer
10.45-11.15	Break
MODERATOR	<b>Dominik MARKL, S.J.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
11.15-12.00	<b>Vered NOAM</b> Tel Aviv University Pharisaic Halakha as Emerging from 4QMMT
12.00-12.45	<b>Eric MEYERS</b> Duke University Pharisees: Purity Concerns and Common Judaism in Light of Archaeology

### Lunch Break

MODERATOR	<b>Nuria CALDUCH BENAGES</b> Pontifical Gregorian University
15.00-15.15	<b>Angela LA DELFA</b> University of Maryland University College Presentation of the Exhibit: "The Pharisees in Art"
15.15-15.45	<b>Juan Manuel GRANADOS, S.J.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute Paul, an Anomalous Pharisee: Some Remarks on Philippians 3:5
15.45-16.30	<b>Adela Yarbro COLLINS</b> Yale University Polemics against the Pharisees in Matthew 23
16.30-17.00	Break
MODERATOR	<b>Benedetta ROSSI, M.D.M.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
17.00-17.45	<b>Henry PATTARUMADATHIL, S.J.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute Does Matthew make enemies friends? Pharisees and Sadducees together in Matthew
17.45-18.30	<b>Hermut LÖHR</b> Universität Bonn Luke/Acts as a Source for the History of the Pharisees

## MAY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

MODERATOR	<b>Stephen PISANO, S.J.</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
09.00-09.45	<b>Harold ATTRIDGE</b> Yale University Jesus, Nicodemus and the other Pharisees in the Gospel of John
09.45-10.30	<b>Jens SCHRÖTER</b> Humboldt-Universität Berlin The Historical Jesus and the Pharisees: What can we know about their mutual relationships?
10.30-11.00	Break
MODERATOR	<b>Christian RUTISHAUSER, S.J.</b> Jesuit Provincialate of Switzerland
11.00-11.45	<b>Yair FURSTENBERG</b> Hebrew University, Jerusalem The Law of the Pharisees between the Gospels and Rabbinic Tradition
11.45-12.30	<b>Günter STEMBERGER</b> Universität Wien The Pharisees and the Rabbis: How much continuity?

### Lunch Break

Josephus' Pharisees: Sketches by a Close Observer

14.00-14.45	<b>POSTER SESSIONS</b> <b>Vasile BABOTA</b> Pontifical Gregorian University In Search of the Origins of the Pharisees <b>Tyler SMITH</b> University of Ottawa What does the Fourth Gospel add to our knowledge about the historical Pharisees? <b>Luca ANGELELLI</b> Pontifical Gregorian University Pharisaios and pharisaios in the Greek Fathers: A Statistical Approach
15.00-16.30	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION</b> Will the Real Pharisees Please Stand Up? <b>Michael KOLARCIK, S.J. (Mod.)</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute <b>Steve MASON</b> Rijksuniversiteit Groningen <b>Adela Yarbro COLLINS</b> Yale University <b>Jens SCHRÖTER</b> Humboldt-Universität Berlin <b>Yair FURSTENBERG</b> Hebrew University, Jerusalem <b>Rabbi David ROSEN</b> AJC – American Jewish Committee
16.30-17.00	Break
MODERATOR	<b>Massimo GARGIULO</b> Pontifical Gregorian University
17.00-17.45	<b>Matthias SKEB</b> , OSB Pontifical Gregorian University The Patristic Reinterpretation of the 'Pharisees': Literary forms and Theological Intentions
17.45-18.30	<b>Rabbi Abraham SKORKA</b> St. Joseph's University The Pharisees as Seen by Medieval Rabbis
<h2>MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019</h2>	
AM	<b>PAPAL AUDIENCE</b>
MODERATOR	<b>Paola MOLLO</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
15.00-15.45	<b>Christian STÜCKL</b> Artistic Director of Münchner Volkstheater & Passionsspiele Oberammergau Pharisees in the Passion Play of Oberammergau
15.45-16.30	<b>Adele REINHARTZ</b> University of Ottawa The Pharisees on Film
16.30-17.15	<b>Philip CUNNINGHAM</b> St. Joseph's University The Pharisees as a Textbook Case
17.15-18.00	Break
<h2>18.00 - 20.30 CLOSING SESSION</h2>	
MODERATOR	<b>Etienne VETÖ</b> , C.C.N. Pontifical Gregorian University Greetings and Introduction <b>Nuno da Silva GONÇALVES, S.J.</b> Rector of the Pontifical Gregorian University
	<b>Rabbi Riccardo S. DI SEGANI</b> Chief Rabbi of the Jewish Community of Rome
	<b>Bp. Ambrogio SPREAFICO</b> President of the Italian Bishops Conference's Commission for Ecumenism and Dialogue
	<b>Alan FOGARTY, S.J.</b> President of the Gregorian University Foundation
	<b>Joseph SIEVERS</b> Pontifical Biblical Institute
	<b>Amy-Jill LEVINE</b> Vanderbilt University Preaching the Pharisees: History, Liturgy, and Ethics
	<b>Massimo GRILLI</b> Pontifical Gregorian University Quale futuro per i farisei? What Future for the Pharisees?
	Discussion
	Refreshments