

## Fall Block Courses Aug 25-Sept 22, 2008



### Gospel of Mark

Tuesdays and Thursdays:  
7:00-9:30 PM  
Aug 26th to Sept 18th

Professor Boisclair

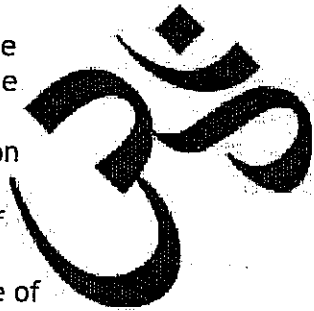
Mark's good news of Jesus, Son of God explores the meaning of following Jesus. This two-credit four week courses juxtaposes a critical reading of the gospel with its historical and literary contexts. It will consider the differences between Mark's social location and that of his 21st century readers.

### Foundations of Hinduism

Mondays and Thursdays: 7:00-9:20 PM  
Aug 25th through Sept 22nd  
Professor Alfred Collins

Hinduism, one of the great religions of the world, is currently practiced by a billion and a half people in India and parts of Southeast Asia.

Perhaps the essence of Hinduism is the quest to attain the real self and overcome attachment to a false or unreal sense of self. This course will explore the pathways this search has taken over the past 3500 years.



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## Adult Enrichment and Catechist Formation 2008

Courses listed in this brochure welcome members of the community as "Newman Observers" or to attain CEUs or Professional Development Credit. The fee for each course is \$95. Register and pay before the first class. Questions? Call 564-8275 or email [rlerner@alaskapacific.edu](mailto:rlerner@alaskapacific.edu)

## **Fall Session Courses Sept 25-Dec 12, 2008**

### **Catholic Theology I**

Section A: Tuesdays 10:30 AM-12:50 PM

Section B: Tuesdays 7:00-9:20 PM

Sept 30th through Dec 9th

This course will cover the Catholic understanding of Scripture, the nature and organization of the Old and New Testaments and the theological understandings represented in the Apostles' Creed. Classes will analyze how these aspects of Catholic belief are explained in the relevant documents of Vatican II and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. While this class is designed specifically for catechists, APU students and Newman Observers interested in a course in the basics of Catholic understandings are welcome.



### **Introduction to the Old Testament**

Thursdays 7:00-9:20 PM

Sept 25th through Dec 11th

This course will explore representative texts of the Hebrew Bible and consider their original, Jewish, and Christian interpretations. Special concern will be given to reading the stories that have most influenced the western imagination. Particular focus will be given to learning the differences between past and present social locations. Various features of modern critical analysis of scripture will be introduced throughout the course.

## **Formation for Catechists: Catholic Theology I, II, and II**

This fall we will resume offering three courses designed especially for catechists in the Archdiocese of Anchorage that review Catholic beliefs and practices. This series is patterned on the Fostering Faith program for catechists in the Archdiocese of Chicago. These courses, that may be taken in any sequence, will be offered during APU's 11 week session both in a morning and evening section. Course descriptions for Catholic Theology I and II are in the Fall and Spring sections of this brochure. Catholic Theology III will focus on moral theology and Catholic social, ecological and biomedical teachings. It will overview the sacraments of healing. These courses will eventually count toward Catechist Certification for the Archdiocese of Anchorage. Additional requirements may also be required, for more information contact Julie at (907) 297-7710



### **Midsummer Light Bible Institute**

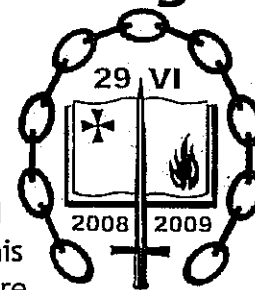
June 17-19, 2009

The 4th Midsummer Light Bible Institute will feature Sr. Irene Nowell, OSB, a leading expert on the Psalms and Fr. Michael Patella OSB, an "up-and-coming" New Testament scholar.

For more information on course offerings contact  
reiner@alaskapacific.edu

## **2009 Spring Course Offerings**

### **Paul and Pauline Texts**



Why not celebrate Paul's Jubilee by taking a course about Paul and his literary legacy? In this course, after we compare

and contrast Luke's portrait of Paul with what we can learn about Paul from his letters, we will explore how Paul's experience of the Risen Christ shaped his understanding of Jesus' universal significance and how his understandings have continued to shape Christian teachings (Spring Session)

### **Catholic Theology II**

Catholic theology II will explore the fundamental Catholic understandings of the church, its mission, ecumenism, Mary and the Saints, Liturgy and the Sacraments of Initiation. Emphasis will be given to how these are discussed in the Documents of the Vatican II and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. (Spring Session)



### **Foundations of Judaism**

This course will explore the beliefs and practices of Israel that emerged after the destruction of the Temple. It will discuss the concern of Jews to continue creation and foster social justice. (January block)