

*"The problems confronting humanity at the present time are indeed so great and so urgent that it is absolutely indispensable to mobilize all those forces which are in agreement at least in their general ideas about belief in the existence of God."* AUGUSTIN CARDINAL BEA

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26th

*Metaphysics and the Presence of God*

LESLIE DEWART

University of Toronto

Author of *The Future of Belief*, etc.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16th

*The Sacramental Presence of Christ*

EDWARD SCHILLEBEECKX, O.P.

University of Nijmegen

Author of *Christ, The Sacrament of Encounter with God*, etc.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14th

*The Presence of God in Modern  
Protestant Thought*

JOHN COLEMAN BENNETT

Union Theological Seminary

Author of *Christians and the State*, etc.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15th

*God's Pseudonyms*

ROBERT McAFEE BROWN

Stanford University

Author of *The Spirit of Protestantism*, etc.

~~THURSDAY, MARCH 14th~~

*The Absence of God and Modern Culture*

BERNARD LONERGAN, S.J.

Gregorian University

Author of *Insight*, etc.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25th

*Human Autonomy and the Presence of God*

HENRI BOUILLARD, S.J.

Institut Catholique

Author of *Karl Barth*, etc.

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