SS792/892: Revelation as Theology, Politics, and Liturgy

Instructor	Dr. Michael J. Gorman
Schedule	Thursday, 6:30–8:30 p.m.
Description	This seminar for STL and CAS students, as well as advanced MDiv and MA students with the instructor's permission, will consider the New Testament book of Revelation (the Apocalypse) as a work of Christian theology, politics, and liturgy (worship). The seminar will focus on these three aspects of Revelation for both the first-century churches and the contemporary church, with some attention to the history of reception.
Requirements	Reading: Students will complete approximately 1,200 pages of reading (STL, CAS—less for MA and MDiv) and should come to class prepared to discuss the readings assigned. Each student will read Duvall and deSilva plus one of the two commentaries (Williamson or Mangina).CAS and STL students will also read Knowles.
	Writing: • one–three short papers to present to the seminar • final paper of 20 pages (STL, CAS) or 12 pages (MA, MDiv) • presentation about final paper to the seminar

Required Texts:

Author and Title (Press, Year, Edition)	**Cost**	**Pages to be read**
For All Students:		
J. Scott Duvall, *A Theology of Revelation* (Zondervan Academic, 2025). 978-0310291510	$62.99 ($19.51 as of 10/26)	Varies by program
David A. deSilva, *Living in an Unholy Empire: Revelation's Call to a Higher Allegiance* (Hendrickson, 2026). 979-8400523441	$28.29	184
PLUS one of the following:		
Peter S. Williamson, *Revelation*, Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture (Baker Academic, 2015). 978-0801036507	$21.44	368
Joseph L. Mangina, *Revelation*, Brazos Theological Commentary on the Bible (Grand Rapids: Brazos, 2010). 978-1587434129	$32.00	243
For STL and CAS Students Only, Also:		
Michael P. Knowles, *The Throne, the Lamb, and the Song: Worshiping With the Angels of Revelation* (Wipf & Stock/Cascade, 2027). ISBN TBA	TBA	196