ST. ANDRÉ CONNECTION

With news and information from the Saint André International Center for Ethics and Integrity & the Chateau Saint André Center

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Dear St. André Friends,



We are pleased to send you a new issue of the St. André Connection.

First and foremost, we are delighted to report that this summer the first ever St. André Center activity was held in St André d'Olérargues itself. In August, we welcomed **Dr. Lydia Dugdale** from Columbia University (NY, USA) who gave an excellent lecture entitled "Hope as Resistance: Five practices



for mitigating despair". Her lecture and subsequent discussion were held in the village's community center, followed by an excellent dinner in the castle's courtyard, prepared by the Chateau Saint André Center's own chef-de-cuisine, **Tristan Welie.**

Two months later, the very first full-fledged 5-day St André Seminar took place in St. André. You will find a short report on the Ethics Educators Workshop below. While renovations of the castle itself continue, we hope to welcome some of you back to one of three events already slated to take place here in St André d'Olérargues next year.

Editorial team: **Jos Welie** & **Linda Scheirton**. Please send information about your activities in ethics that you would like to share with other friends of the St. André Center to: **info@chateausaintandre.center**

CONSIDER JOINING

The International Association for Education in Ethics (IAEE) was established in 2011 to promote ethics teaching in a wide range of disciplines. The Association aims to bring together individuals and institutions from all academic fields interested in ethics education. Besides a reduced registration fee for IAEE events, members receive the *International Journal of Ethics Education*. Members also receive a registration discount for the St André Center's own *Ethics Educators Workshop* (see below)

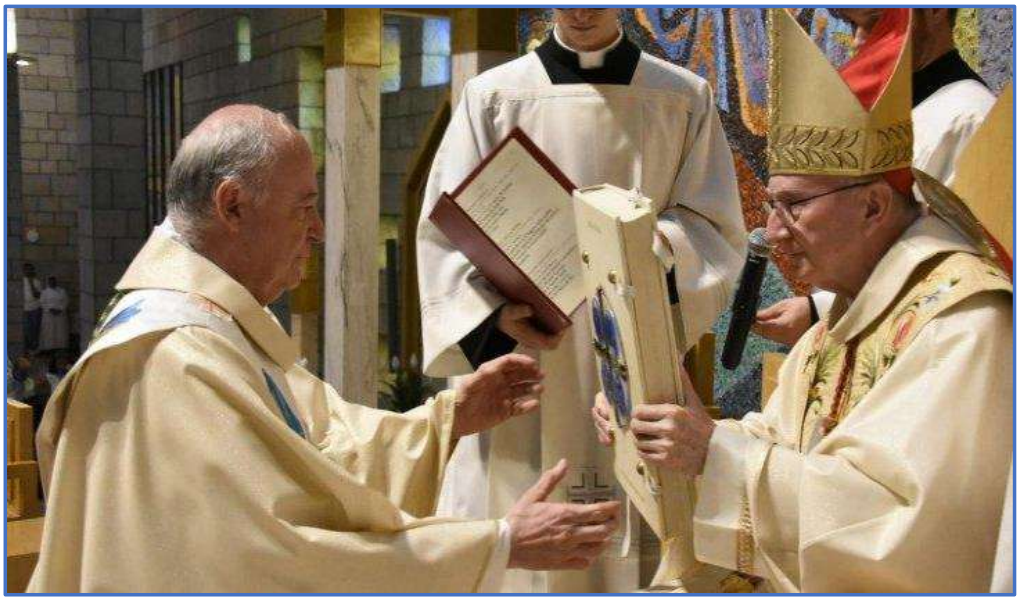
The IAEE held its 14th International Conference in Amsterdam, The Netherlands in June of 2026. Among the many presentations, two specifically focused on St André activities. One presentation (by **Greg Wright** and **Jos Welie**) reviewed the educational merits of the study-abroad seminar jointly organized with Snow College (Utah, USA), held for the first time in 2025 and scheduled again for 2027. The other (by **Jos Welie**) reported on the results of a St. André survey on heritage ethics education. The 2027 IAEE conference will take place in Madrid (see below)

CONGRATULATIONS

Sylvie Vidaillac completed her Doctor of Ministry studies in practical theology , with a dissertation on *Spiritual life in a second language as a path of transformation*. St. Stephen's College, University of Alberta (Canada).

Therese Lysaught has been appointed to the Rose F. Kennedy Chair of Christian Ethics at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University, Washington DC, USA

Mgr. Renzo Pegoraro (left on photo below), bioethicist and president of the Pontifical Academy for Life (which has rendered assistance to several of the St. André ethics seminars), has been ordained archbishop by Cardinal Pietro Parolin (right) (Padua, Italy)



Upcoming St. André Events

February 24-28, 2027: Ethics of End-of-Life Care: Contributions from the Arts and Humanities, Rome, Italy. This will be the fourth offering of this intensive seminar, organized by the St. André International Center with assistance of the Pontifical Academy for Life at the Vatican. Seminar participants can also attend the annual conference of the Academy which takes place in Rome immediately afterwards (March 1-2, 2027). More info at: https://www.saintandre.center/home/ethics-seminars/ethics-of-end-of-life-care-2027/

February 28 – March 7, 2027: Snow College Bioethics Seminar (Rome, Italy). Please note that this seminar is only open to students from Snow College, Utah, USA, as part of the semester-long bioethics course directed by **Dr. Gregory Wright.** If you are interested in organizing a study-abroad opportunity for your own students, please contact us at info@chateausaintandre.center.

May 16 – 29, 2027: Schreiner University Global Scholars Residence (Saint André d'Olérargues, France). Please note that this seminar is only open to students from Schreiner University, TX, USA, as part of the yearlong Global Scholars program at Schreiner, directed by Dr. Michael Cude**.** If you are interested in organizing a study-abroad opportunity for your own students, please contact us at info@chateausaintandre.center

June 16 – 22, 2027. ACD Ethics and Leadership Seminar (Rochefort-du-Gard, France). Please note that this seminar is only open to fellows of the American College of Dentists. Please contact the ACD if you are a fellow and interested in participating. If you would like to organize a comparable continuing education opportunity for your own association, company or organization, please contact us at info@chateausaintandre.center

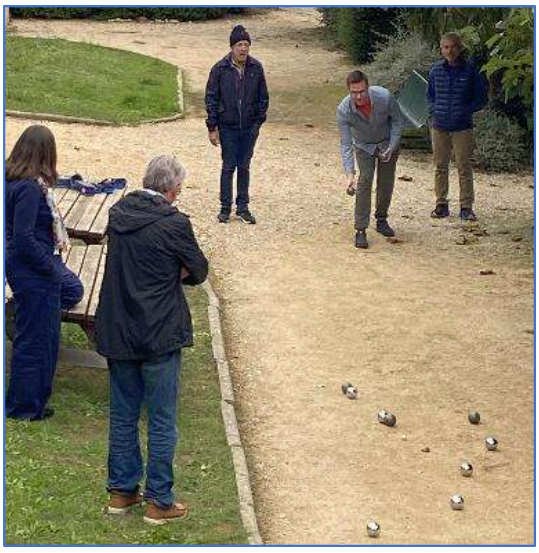
October 7-11, 2027: **International Ethics Colloquium. The role of color in ethical reflection and decision making (St André d'Olérargues, France).** Our keynote speaker and guest of honor will be Prof. Dr. Henk ten Have, author of the 2025 book "Color, Healthcare and Bioethics" (the online version of which is available free of charge). Participants are invited to prepare a presentation on the theme of the Colloquium, broadly understood. Drawing from history, the arts and the humanities is strongly encouraged. More info at: https://www.saintandre.center/home/ethics-seminars/international-ethics-colloquium/

October 13-17, 2027: Biennial Workshop of the International Association of Catholic Bioethics. (St André d'Olérargues, France). The exact theme of the workshop has not yet been determined but it will be at the intersection of love, artificial intelligence, and bioethical decision-making. Participants will be expected to either draft a scholarly paper in advance of the meeting and/or prepare a critical commentary on a paper prepared by another participant. Participation will be limited to 20 scholars. Registration has not yet started. More information will soon be available at http://chateausaintandre.center.

2ND ETHICS EDUCATORS WORKSHOP

In October of this year, a group of 13 individuals from three continents convened in St. André d'Olérargues for the second iteration of the "Ethics Educators Workshop". They were joined on two separate days by keynote speakers Professor **Hub Zwart** (Erasmus University (Rotterdam, The Netherlands), and Professor **Angelika Krebs** (University of Basel, Switzerland). The rigorous program notwithstanding, there was still time for visits to Uzès and the Pont-du-Gard, a local olive oil mill, and a game of "jeu de boules".





UPCOMING ETHICS EVENTS ORGANIZED BY ST ANDRÉ FRIENDS

March 4-7, 2027: 6th Annual APPE International Conference - Examining ethics and power (Pittsburgh, PA, USA). Organized by the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics. More info at: https://www.appe-ethics.org/

March 1-2, 2027: Annual Conference of the Pontifical Academy for Life: Unseen Wounds - Mental Suffering and Care (Rome, Italy). Organized by the Pontifical Academy for Life. More info at: https://www.academyforlife.va/content/pav/en/news/2026/workshop-and-assembly-2027-unseen-wounds.html

June 23-25, 2027: 15th International Conference on Ethics Education - Ethics education, deliberation and civil society (Madrid, Spain). Organized by the International Association for Education in Ethics. More info at: https://ethicsassociation.net/

August 5-8, 2027. Annual Conference on Business Ethics (Seattle, WA, USA). Organized by the Society for Business Ethics. More info at: https://sbeonline.org/conference/2027-annual-conference/

August 25-28, 2027: 39th Annual Conference - Emerging Bioethical Challenges in a Changing World (Prague, Czech Republic). Organized by the European Society for Philosophy of Medicine and Healthcare. More info at: https://www.espmh.org/

October 27-30, 2027: Annual ASBH Conference (Columbus, OH, USA). Organized by the American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities. More info at: https://asbh.org/annual-meeting/bioethics-humanities-meeting

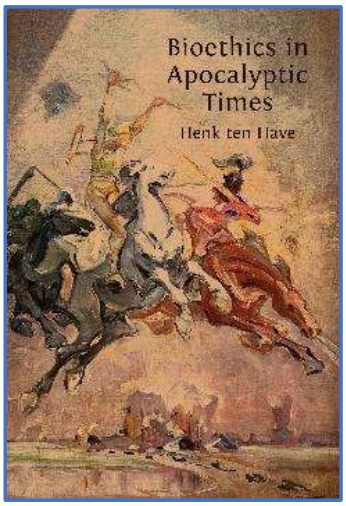
October 28-30, 2027: 53rd Annual Conference - Imagining possible futures: Moral education for youth agency and critical engagement (Montreal, Canada). Organized by the Association for Moral Education. More info at: https://www.amenetwork.org/2027

New Books by St Andre Friends



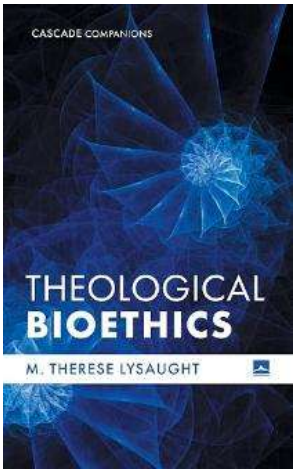
Henk ten Have

Bioethics in Apocalytic Times



Today, humanity is confronted with apocalyptic scenarios. Especially younger generations are anxious about the future due to climate change, violence and war, geopolitical tensions, rising inequalities and insecurities. Ten Have calls for a reorientation of bioethics towards practical activities, citizen initiatives, social movements, and localized modes of governance, motivated by the hope that a better future can be realized.

More information at: https://www.openbookpublishers.com/books/10.11647/obp.0548



Therese Lysaught

Theological Bioethics



Christians have been caring for the sick since the earliest days of the church. And the riches of the Christian tradition—Scripture, scholars, saints, and sacraments—speak powerfully to the moral dimensions of illness, healing, caring, and dying. Yet over the past forty years, theological voices have been edged out of bioethics. This volume invites readers to begin the journey of envisaging new possibilities for practicing theological bioethics in their own lives and communities.

More information at:
https://wipfandstock.com/products/theological-bioethics-9781725249660?variant=59030135734607



Aida Ponce del Castillo (Editor)

Governing Artificial Intelligence in the Higher Education Sector: Sociotechnical Perspectives, Regulatory Challenges and Working Conditions (ETUI)

European Trade Union Committee for Education.



More info at: https://etuce.org/en/item/7245:

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Please send us your publications from the past year so we can include them here in the next newsletter. It's a great way to get to know what topics people are working on.

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