



THEME/MASTER QUESTION:	The final cause (end or purpose) of every human or moral act is to secure intermediary goods throughout the temporal life of the moral agent until eternal beatitude is attained in Heaven upon securing the Summum Bonum, the Supreme Good, God Himself.
COURSE DESCRIPTION:	A traditional Catholic examination of the following topics: definition and distinction of moral theology and moral philosophy, an introductory analysis and presentation of the subject of morality, man as a rational creature (additional principles studied in PH06 philosophical psychology), free will, the objective of morality: human acts (voluntary and involuntary), obstacles to voluntary action, objective norm of morality: divine and human law, the subjective norm of morality: conscience, and the nature of temptation and sin. Application of moral doctrine in analyzing issues in contemporary moral theology, for example, the JUST WAR THEORY and the DEATH PENALTY.
TEXTS AND MATERIALS:	Right and Reason (TAN) by Fr. Austin Fagaothey A Course in Thomistic Ethics by D.Q. McNerny Honors level TH03 students read excerpts from the <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> (Aristotle), <i>Summa Theologiae</i> (Aquinas), <i>Theologia Moralis</i> (Liguori), and both the <i>Roman Catechism</i> and the <i>New Catechism of the Catholic Church</i> . An open book test on Pope St. John Paul II's <i>Veritatis Splendor</i> is required of TH03 honors level students.
PRIMARY ENDS OF COURSE:	TH03 students will be able to define and distinguish between moral theology and moral philosophy, undergo an introductory analysis and presentation of: the subject of morality, man as a rational creature (additional principles studied in PH06 philosophical psychology), free will, the objective of morality: human acts (voluntary and involuntary), obstacles to voluntary action, objective norm of morality: divine and human law, the subjective norm of morality: conscience, and the nature of temptation and sin.
PRIMARY TEACHING METHODS:	Lecture. Student note-taking. Class discussion.
ASSESSMENTS USED:	Comprehension quizzes on all assigned readings. Unit tests. Evaluation of student class participation.
SUGGESTED QUARTERLY SCHEDULE	<u>QUARTER 1</u> : Moral Philosophy vs. Moral Theology, Human Acts (Voluntary and Involuntary), Free Will, and Obstacles to Voluntariness. <u>QUARTER 2</u> : The Objective Norm of Morality: Law. Species of Law - Eternal Law, Divine Law, Natural Law, Human Law. The Subjective Norm of Morality Conscience. Species of Conscience. <u>QUARTER 3</u> : The Nature of Temptation and Sin. Mortal and Venial Sins. The Capital Sins. The Virtues. <u>QUARTER 4</u> : Issues in Contemporary Moral Theology.
SUGGESTED DAILY LESSON PLAN	Monday: Introduction to TH03 Unit Goals. Introductory Lecture. Tuesday: Quiz on Assigned Reading. Lecture #2 and Class Discussion. Wednesday: Quiz on Assigned Reading. Lecture #3 and Class Discussion. Thursday: Quiz on Assigned Reading. Lecture #4 and Class Discussion. Friday: Unit Test or Review Chapter Quizzes or Continuation of Lecture Material.

COURSE PATRON:	Saint Alphonsus Ligouri and Saint Thomas Aquinas
COURSE PRAYER:	Ave Maria