



## *A Library for the Ages*



*We shape our buildings,  
and thereafter, they shape us.*

*Sir Winston Churchill*



**New library space approved:** The library is very pleased to report that the Board of Governors has approved a north expansion, and a new configured library space. The new space will be primarily dedicated to book stacks, and will also feature seating along a vast floor to ceiling expanse of north-facing windows, as well as a fire-place seating area. Sir Winston Churchill would applaud this:

If you cannot read all your books, at any rate handle, or as it were, fondle them – peer into them, let them fall open where they will, read from the first sentence that arrests the eye, set them back on the shelves with your own hands, arrange them on your own plan so that if you do not know what is in them, you at least know where they are. Let them be your friends; let them at any rate be your acquaintances. If they cannot enter the circle of your life, do not deny them at least a nod of recognition.

In the newly built space, the library is planning to collaborate with the **Museum of Antiquities** to showcase some of their pieces and collections, including a coin collection donated to them by Dr. Alan Reese, and a remarkable 3' bust of Constantine the Great which is part of their standing collection. Some of these collections will go in the new display cases that were purchased in the summer of 2015. Also, at that time, the library had the library **table** tops replaced and the table pedestals refurbished in a bronze textured coating.

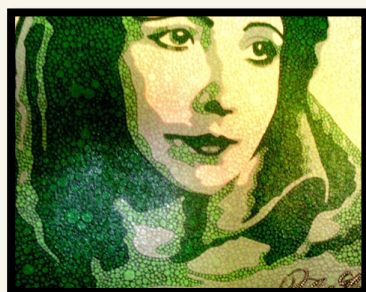
## *Statistics: Book Budget and Library Use*

DEPARTMENTAL: 40%	# of Faculty	ALLOCATION
Economics	2	\$600.00
English	5	\$1500.00
History	2	\$600.00
Languages and Linguistics	1	\$300.00
Philosophy	4	\$1200.00
Political Studies	3	\$900.00
Psychology	6	\$1800.00
Religion and Culture	6	\$1800.00
Sociology	4	\$1200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>\$9900.00</b>
General: 30%		\$7,500.00
Catholic Tradition: 20%		\$5,000.00
Distinctive STM Programs 10%	10%	
Campus Ministry		\$357.00
CMRS		\$357.00
Engaged Learning		\$357.00
Jewish and Christian Studies		\$357.00
Social Justice		\$357.00
Spanish		\$357.00
Ukrainian		\$357.00
Remainder		\$101.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$25,000.00</b>

**Book Budget:** Departmental Formula: 40% / # of Faculty = apr. \$300.00 per faculty member.

Area Count	2014-15	↑↑/↓↓	2015-16
<b>Reading Room Use:</b>	17,583	↑↑	21,496
<b>Computer Lab Use:</b>	4,868	↓↓	4,453
<b>Combined Total:</b>	22,451	↑↑	25,949
<b>Gate Counter:</b>	72,468	↑↑	74,130
<b>Book Circulation:</b>	5,733	↑↑	5,886
<b>New Acquisitions:</b>	284	↓↓	214
<b>Items in Collection:</b>	56,712	↑↑	57,933

The library is a popular place for quiet study and research. Female students particularly appreciate that it is a staffed, secure space. Staff have noticed an increased level of multi-national diversity this year. In the above statistics, the Reading Room and Computer Lab statistics count those who were sitting in seats, counted hourly. The gate counts traffic both coming and going.



### *The Nin / Hinz Exhibition and Masquerade Literary Salon*



This Collection, specializing in Anaïs Nin, was donated to St. Thomas More College by Dr. Evelyn Hinz and Dr. John Teunissen, who met at STM College in 1959. The Collection has nearly 300 books and 36 linear feet of archival documents. It contains a wide variety of materials: manuscripts, correspondence, photographs, interviews on tape, videos, artwork and other realia.

Following the sabbatical research of Library Director, Donna Brockmeyer, an Exhibition was curated in the STM Art Gallery held during September and October. A *Masquerade Literary Salon* was held on October 30, 2015, to celebrate the Exhibition and pay tribute to the donors.

Guests shared quotations and passages: President Downey read a piece written by Guy Vanderhaeghe, Donna Brockmeyer presented a paper based on her sabbatical research, and donor Dr. John Teunissen read a section of Nin related correspondence. Library students also participated: Veronica Kmiech played the violin, and sisters Monique and Nicole Mireau sang two songs in French. The Salon was emceed by Karen Massett, Development Officer. The event was well attended, with members of the Hinz and Teunissen families from Humboldt, Winnipeg and Calgary, as well as other donors, alumni, faculty, staff and students. It was a magical evening, much enjoyed!

# *Library Committee Achieves A Milestone: Shannon Library and Archives Policy, 2016*

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## *Library Vision: The Shannon Library aspires to be the preeminent Catholic College Library in Western Canada.*

*The Library Committee includes: Dean Carl Still, Dr. Bohdan Kordan, Dr. Michael Cichon, Ms. Jennifer Hildebrand (STMSU), Dr. Donna Brockmeyer (Chair), and Mrs. Dorothy Abernethy (recording secretary).*

**The Mission** of the Shannon Library is to support, through its collections and services, the inherent values, vision and culture of St. Thomas More College. The Library offers optimum service for research, teaching and learning, and provides an inspiring and welcoming environment that supports creative discovery, reflection, synthesis and application of knowledge. This service is supported by library professionals and trained staff. The library is one of the most important tangible assets of the Catholic intellectual tradition within the College. We honour our term of stewardship of this valuable cultural resource as we build for the ages.

The Library Committee thoroughly redrafted and revised the Library and Archives Policy. The previous policy dated from the 1970s and was obsolete. Significant changes were that the Librarian now reports to the Dean of the College, and that the Policy is no longer approved by the Board of Governors. The new policy also now includes the Archives, which it did not before; it incorporates requirements of technology and the integrated catalogue; it adjusted the book budget to align with current teaching priorities; and, it outlines a process through which donations to the library will be managed.

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### *Student Wellness Program.*

The Library provides healthy snacks and hot beverages for students during Exam periods. This includes things like tea, hot chocolate, hot cider, apples, granola bars, and of course, *chocolate!*

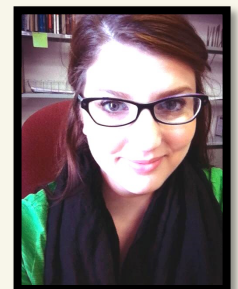


### *Aboriginal Achievement Week*

Library staff curated an Aboriginal art display to celebrate Aboriginal Achievement Week.



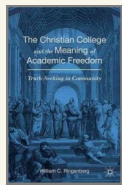
**Dorothy Abernethy** volunteered over 100 hours of work this past year, as she has done for the past 15 years, to the Latin Mass Community in Saskatoon. Dorothy played an active role in weeding the collections this Spring: she focused on the serials and the B-section.



**Amanda Giene** has volunteered nearly 400 hours over the last few years to Newman Players, including playing a major role in *Arsenic and Old Lace*. Amanda also played a very active role in weeding our collections this Spring: she created lists of circulating and non-circulating items, and will delete selected items from the catalogue.

# A Few New Acquisitions by Department

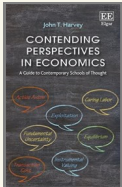
## Catholic Higher Education



Ryan N.S. Topping. *Renewing the Mind: A Reader in the Philosophy of Catholic Education*

William C. Ringenberg. *The Christian College and the Meaning of Academic Freedom: Truth-Seeking in Community*

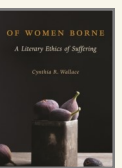
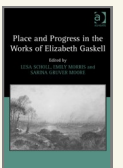
## Economics



John Marangos. *Consistency and Viability of Capitalist Economic Systems*

John T. Harvey. *Contending Perspectives in Economics*

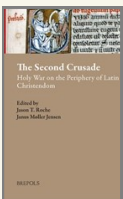
## English



Emily Morris (ed.) *Place and Progress in the Works of Elizabeth Gaskell*

Cynthia Wallace. *Of Women Borne: A Literary Ethics of Suffering*

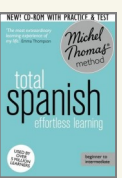
## History



Jason T. Roche (ed.) *The Second Crusade: Holy War on the Periphery of Latin Christendom*

Michael Cichon (contributor) *50 Medieval Manuscript Leaves: The Otto Edge Collection*

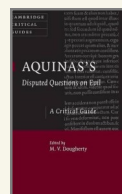
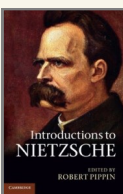
## Languages, Literatures, and Cultural Studies



Emily Spinelli. *English Grammar for Students of Spanish: The Study Guide for those Learning Spanish*

*Total Spanish with the Michael Thomas Method (AV material)*

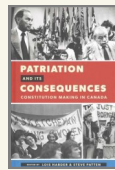
## Philosophy



Robert B. Pippin (ed.) *Introductions to Nietzsche*

M. V. Dougherty (ed.) *Aquinas's Disputed Questions on Evil: A Critical Guide*

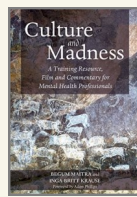
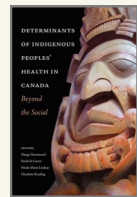
## Political Studies



Lois Harder (ed.) *Patriation and Its Consequences: Constitution Making in Canada*

Bohdan S. Kordan. *Money, Sovereignty and Power: The Paper Currency of Revolutionary Ukraine, 1917-1920*

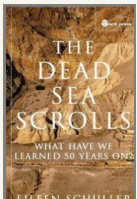
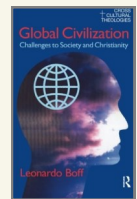
## Psychology



Margo Greenwood (ed.) *Determinants of Indigenous Peoples' Health in Canada: Beyond the Social*

Begum Maitra. *Culture and Madness: A Training Resource, Film and Commentary for Mental Health Professionals*

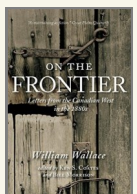
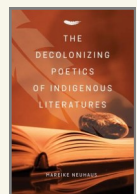
## Religious Studies



Leonardo Boff. *Global Civilization: Challenges to Society and to Christianity*

Eileen M. Schuller. *The Dead Sea Scrolls: What Have We Learned 50 Years On?*

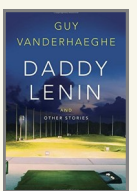
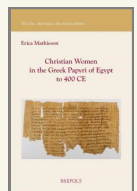
## Sociology



Mareike Neuhaus. *The Decolonizing Poetics of Indigenous Literatures*

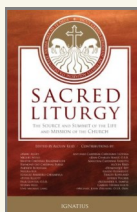
William Wallace. *On the Frontier: Letters from the Canadian West in the 1880s*

## General



Erica A. Mathieson. *Christian women in the Greek papyri of Egypt to 400 CE*

Guy Vanderhaeghe. *Daddy Lenin and Other Stories*



B.R. O'Brien (ed.) *Textus Roffensis: Law, Language, and Libraries in Early Medieval England*

*The Sacred Liturgy: Source and Summit of the Life and Mission of the Church*

